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THE ROUBLES' GREATEST RIVAL.

Panic on the Berlin Bourse.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, July 19. Marks have fallen to 1,450,000 to the pound sterling. London July 19. Marks in London are now one and a half million to the pound sterling. There were frantic scenes on the Bourse on account of efforts to convert marks into foreign currencies. These culminated in the Reichsbank threatening to cease to discount bills of exchange. The day's demand for foreign currencies was mostly Dutch, British and Belgian, and amounted to twenty milliard marks, which is more than the bank possessed in cash. The Reichsbank insisted on the banks seeing their requirements fully covered in cash. The banks only complied to a small extent, whereupon the Reichsbank decided to cease discounting bills for the delinquents.

GERMAN CIVIL WAR ALLEGATIONS.

The Extremes at Loggerheads.

Berlin, July 19. Probably a semi-official statement (see Earlier Telegrams) was issued in reply to the recent Nationalist and Communist allegations that each side is preparing a *putsch*, especially the letter by the nationalist Reichstag member, Wulle, to the Chancellor, alleging that actions severing the Prussian Minister of the Interior and favouring civil war will be initiated from the Left. The Communists have also been making wild allegations with regard to the imminence of a Fascist rising, and the shooting down of the proletariat by a Fascist trained by Reichswehr officers.

BRITISH FORCES OF OCCUPATION.

Costs Paid by Germany.

London, July 19. In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. G. H. Oliver and Comdr. Locker-Lampson, Mr. Baldwin stated that the approximate annual cost of the British forces in occupied Germany was sixteen hundred thousand sterling. The cost of occupation to December 31st last had been fully met, including in the case of Britain receipts under the Reparations Recovery Act. Britain was still receiving from the latter source sufficient to cover the occupation costs.

ANOTHER WORLD FLIGHT.

Proposal by Portuguese Airmen.

London, July 19. It is learned from South America that the Portuguese airmen Coutinho and Cabral, who recently flew from Lisbon to Rio de Janeiro, propose a world flight from Lisbon via Japan and Newfoundland. The scheme will be financed by the Portuguese Government, but Brazil has been invited to participate and provide a crew of the best Brazilian naval aviators.

AUSTRALIA AND LAWN TENNIS.

European and American Cracks Invited.

Melbourne, July 19. It is reported that the Australian Lawn Tennis Council is inviting America and France, including Mlle. Lenglen, and Britain or Spain, to send teams to Australia in the coming season. The council offers half the profits or all the expenses, whichever be greater.

BRITAIN'S REPLY TO GERMANY.

Cabinet Still Unable to Reach Decision.

London, July 19. A two hours' Cabinet meeting to consider a reply to Germany has not reached any decision. It is now thought that its despatch to the Allies and the United States will possibly be deferred until next week.

INDIAN GOVERNMENT'S LEGISLATIVE DEFEAT.

Simla, July 19. In the Assembly, the Government was again defeated on a motion by Doctor Gaur urging the Secretary of State for India to frame rules contemplated under the Government of India Act, for delegation of his power to the Government of India. The resolution was carried by 43 to 30.

NOVA SCOTIAN MINERS DEFIANT.

Sydney, Nova Scotia, July 19. Four thousand coalminers voted in favour of a continuance of the strike, in defiance of the cancellation of their charter by the United Mineworkers of America, following their refusal to comply with an order to call off the strike.

MAINE INCIDENT RECALLED.

New York, July 19. The death has occurred of Rear Admiral Charles Dwight Sigbee, who commanded the battleship *Maine* when she was blown up in Havana harbour in 1898, thus precipitating the Spanish-American war.

CANADA'S RECORD BUMPER WHEAT CROP.

London, July 19. The Canadian wheat crop is officially estimated at five hundred million bushels, which is a hundred million bushels higher than last year's high record.

GERMAN PROFESSORS TO TEACH AFGHANS.

Peshawar, July 19. A number of German Professors are shortly expected at Kabul to undertake a technical instructional work in the technical departments.

ENGLAND AGAIN WINS AT BISLEY.

London, July 19. At Bisley, England with 1,83 points won the Mackinnon Trophy. Scotland scored 1,043, Ireland 1,028, Canada 1,025 and Wales 945.

S.M.R. INVESTMENT FAVOURED.

London, July 19. The South Manchurian Railway list was closed at 2.30 this afternoon, the underwriters being relieved of all responsibilities.

LIVERPOOL DOCKERS RESUME.

London, July 19. The dock strikers at Liverpool have returned to work. (Other Telegrams on Page 2.)

PACIFIC DEFENCE.

SINGAPORE'S RELATION TO HONGKONG.

SPIRITED PARLIAMENTARY DEBATE.

London, July 19.

In the resumed debate in the House of Commons on the Navy Estimates, the Rt. Hon. Mr. George Lambert, opposing the Singapore proposal, declared that it was an example of scattered strategy as opposed to concentration. He criticised the Government's lack of frankness at Washington, in never mentioning the proposal to establish a naval base within three hundred and fifty miles of the treaty line, and asked if anybody believed Japan had not taken cognisance of the new base and that there would not be new naval armaments in the Pacific. There could not be any other reason for the Singapore scheme than the contemplation of the possibility of war with Japan. He asked, in such a case, how it was proposed to defend Hongkong from Singapore. Did anybody believe that battleships would be sent fourteen hundred and forty miles to Hongkong from Singapore, with all the risks of submarines and mines and no base whatsoever wherein to shelter?

Captain J. P. Hay joined in the condemnation on the ground that the Singapore climate was unsuitable. War with Japan would be a race war, in which the yellow races would be reinforced by the blacks and all anti-white elements, and we should be unable to hold Singapore from the land side even if we could by the sea. Mr. C. W. Darbishire, in the course of uttering an objection, said the scheme had led to Holland planning to spend seventeen millions on her fleet and eight million on three bases in the Dutch East Indies.

The Other View.

Sir A. Shirley Benn said the Japanese had far too much sense to think we were going to fight them at once, because we were going to establish a base three thousand miles from Japan. Mr. M. R. Thornton said he thought Singapore was the most unsatisfactory place in the world to build a dock, because of the climatic and labour conditions. Viscount Curzon supported the scheme, and appealed to the House to trust the Admiralty. This base was most ardently desired in Australia and New Zealand. India also had to be considered. He failed to see why there should be any feeling in Japan that the action was aggressive, seeing that Singapore was six and a half days steaming from Japan. If a hostile Power ever took possession of Singapore we could never get them out of it.

Brigadier General Spears said he thought we ought to know what contribution Australia, New Zealand and Malaya were prepared to make. Lt. Comdr. Kenworthy said he thought that in a generation there would be a great increase of population in Japan, and the urge to populate Australia might lead to trouble between the two Empires, in which case Singapore would be the most important strategic base in the world, but it would be useless to make this gesture of hostility towards Japan unless we were prepared to carry out policy through which he contended would involve a cost of some fifty millions, as a strong striking force would be necessary at Singapore to prevent foreign troops landing in the Malay Peninsula, and subsidiary bases in North Australia and elsewhere.

Comdr. C. Ballair said the charge that we had been guilty of sharp practice was ridiculous.

A Penny Wise Suggestion.

Mr. F. G. Penny, supporting the scheme suggested that as the base at Hongkong was no longer needed, the lands and buildings there should be sold and the money devoted to the Singapore scheme. Colonel Amery, replying, said Meridian 110 in the Washington Treaty was chosen solely to make it clear that Singapore was outside the zone of non-action. He pointed out that Japan and the United States were carrying out

WUCHOW FALLS.

West River Now Clear.

FOOD FOR HONGKONG.

Wuchow has fallen into the hands of Dr. Sun Yat-sen's forces, the Kwangsi troops having evacuated the city after threats that the place would be bombarded if they did not surrender. One effect of the new development, and the most important one to commerce, is that the West River is now open to traffic up as far as Wuchow for the first time for many weeks. The motor ship *Wah Kiu* (Capt. Lane) and the *s.s. Kwong Fook Cheung* (Capt. R. M. de la Salle) were the first two boats to get through, and they both returned to Hongkong this morning. They went up in halibut and brought back to this Colony good stocks of cattle, poultry, firewood, etc. O. H. ships are now on the way up to Wuchow.

The motor ship *Wah Kiu* left Shanghai on the upward run on the 15th, instant and proceeded to Luk Poo for examination by the Chinese military forces. She arrived at this place at midnight and anchored until 6.40 next morning, when she weighed anchor and proceeded to Takking. Here she communicated with a Chinese gunboat and was informed that the fighting line was at Fongchuen, which place was reached at 7 p.m. On arrival here, H. M. S. *Cicada* was met and the Captain of the *Wah Kiu* was advised to remain on till early next morning. On that date, the 17th, the motor ship under instructions from the *Cicada*, went in convoy with the *s.s. Kwong Fook Cheung* and both boats were escorted through the fighting zone by the British gunboat.

As the convoy went up the river, it was noticed that forces massed on the east side of the Kai River were engaged in throwing a puntoon bridge across some eleven miles from Wuchow. The trip, however, passed without any untoward incident, and Wuchow was reached shortly after 9 o'clock on the morning of the 17th. The retreating army was passed about four miles to the east of the town. During the morning, Dr. Sun's gunboat, squadron advanced, firing on the retreating Kwangsi troops on both sides of the river, until within about three miles of the city. Wuchow had not up to this time fallen, still being occupied by the Kwangsi troops, and everything was quiet during the night.

On the morning of the 18th, Dr. Sun's naval forces arrived off the city and the Kwangsi troops soon evacuated the place, having surrendered to the Cantonese forces under General Ngai Bong-ping.

Both the *Wah Kiu* and the *Kwong Fook Cheung* left Wuchow on the afternoon of the 18th, and reached Hongkong this morning.

Traffic May be Resumed.

A notice received from the Secretary to the Commodore is displayed at the Harbour Office that normal traffic may be resumed on the West River up to Wuchow, as all is now peaceful.

similar works and contended that Britain had voluntarily denied herself the use of the base at Hongkong and retired a further fifteen hundred miles in order to make it perfectly clear that nothing was further from our thoughts than aggression against Japan or domination of the East. Responsible opinion in Japan realised that this was a policy purely of our own defence. Singapore was useless for offence, but ideal for defence. All we wanted was to be in a position ten years hence to again keep, if desired, two or three capital ships in the Far East and give the main fleet a reasonable measure of mobility. He saw no reason whatever why the Admiralty estimates of ten millions need be exceeded. Finally, he declared that the Admiralty Staff were convinced that this was the soundest and most economical way of ensuring the defence of the Empire. The Estimates were ultimately adopted, after the debate had been closed, by 217 votes to 130.

LOCAL PROPERTY BOOM.

Million Dollar Deal at Kowloon.

PRICE DOUBLED AND REDOUBLED.

We learn to-day of another big deal in landed property, serving to point to the extraordinary boom which is in progress locally. More than a million dollars is being given for land which a bare three months ago was sold at the boom price of \$550,000!

The property in question is known as *Punjab Buildings*, situated on Granville Road, Kowloon, not far from the Club de Recreio, and comprising island Lot No. 542, of an area of 94,000 square feet approximately. The houses on the land can truthfully be termed nearly dilapidated, but no doubt rebuilding schemes are being planned. We learn that this property was sold yesterday to a Chinese company for a fraction over a million dollars, the price being about \$14 per square foot. This lot, we believe, was sold for about \$300,000 not so very long back. It eventually came into the possession of Mr. Fred Ellis, and we announced "on April 19th last, Mr. Ellis sold it to two Chinese, Messrs. Yu Kwan-mo and Chan Tsing-chuen, for \$550,000."

We wonder whether the top price has yet been reached!

Punjab Buildings were originally erected to accommodate N.C.O.'s of the Indian Army stationed here. At present they are occupied by several Portuguese families.

LOCAL V.D. CLINICS.

Trial Centre to be Opened Shortly.

Partly with a view to testing the Chinese opinion of Western treatment in venereal disease cases (and in the hope that such opinion will be favourable) the Government of Hongkong proposes shortly to open a free clinic, on the lines of similar establishments that have proved—despite opposition from cranks—a boon in other parts of the world.

On enquiry from the Colonial Secretary we learn that the intention is to make the venture, for such it will be, a trial one. There will be only one depot for treatment to begin with, and it is to take the form of a wooden or matted structure; and should the demand justify it, a more permanent clinic, and even other clinics, will be established in time. Everything will depend on how the Chinese man-in-the-street, for whom the depot is primarily intended, will respond to the offer of free treatment along Western lines.

The main object of the Government scheme is, of course, to aid in stamping out one of the worst scourges with which Hongkong like all big cities, is afflicted.

A SERIOUS DANGER.

Fishermen's Bright Lights.

"Bright-light fishing is becoming a serious danger in this port," said Comdr. Beckwith, at the Marine Court, this morning. "A large area of water has been allocated to this class of fishing yet, not content with this, fishermen are always attempting to fish in the entrances to the harbour."

Three fishermen were before the Court, charged with disobeying the orders of the Harbour Master by carrying incandescent lights in such a position as to confuse navigation. The defendants were caught by L. S. Johnson at twenty minutes past eight last night, whilst on patrol in the vicinity of Capsulim pass. There were about a dozen craft there, and they were directly in the track of Canton and West River shipping. When they saw the police launch coming they put out their lights, and so the officer was able to catch only three of them. A fine of \$15 was imposed in each case.

CHINESE PEACE MOVE.

Sir Robert Ho Tung's Proposal.

SUPPORTED BY DR. SUN.

We have received the following communication from Sir Robert Ho Tung:

"Arising out of a recent Press interview, I have endeavoured to ascertain from Dr. Sun Yat-sen his view on my suggestion of a round-table conference of the principal leaders in China as a preliminary step towards reaching a *modus vivendi*."

"I have just received a telegram, in reply, from Dr. Sun, which he very kindly despatched to me this afternoon. As the telegram is, in my opinion, one of timely and general public interest, I have pleasure in communicating a copy to you herewith, for publication. Yours etc., R. Ho Tung."

Dr. Sun's Reply.

Copy of telegram dated 19th July from Generalissimo Dr. Sun Yat-sen, Canton, to Sir Robert Ho Tung, Hongkong:

"I have repeatedly expressed myself in favour of the peaceful unification of China. I therefore approve your suggestion for round-table conference of principal leaders in country.—Sun Yat-sen."

[In an interview with Reuter, Sir Robert expressed the view that the protection of certain railways does not strike at the root of the bandit evil, and urged a round-table conference aiming at the reunification of the warring elements in the country.]

A telegram in the *Daily Bulletin* says Sun Yat-sen has despatched a delegate to Szechuan to open negotiations with the leaders there.

"Breaking the Ice."

Interviewed this morning by a *Telegraph* representative, Sir Robert Ho Tung was optimistic that the idea he had undertaken, of bringing the leaders of China to a round-table conference with the view to settling the affairs of the country on a common understanding, would be successful. It will, at any rate, have resulted in breaking the ice, and as he has already had agreement by Dr. Sun Yat-sen, he is hopeful that the other leaders will come round to the same view. Sir Robert admitted that the task which he has set himself is gigantic and difficult, and unprecedented in the troubled history of the Republic, but he says if he can in any way contribute to the promotion of peaceful conditions of China, he will have been amply rewarded for his efforts.

FOREIGN LOAN FOR CANTON.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen's Latest Scheme.

MINING RIGHTS AS SECURITY.

It is reported from Canton that owing to lack of funds, practically all the public properties having either been sold or pledged, Dr. Sun Yat-sen has decided to solicit an international loan from British, American, French and Japanese merchants.

The exact amount of the proposed loan is not at present known, but it is stated the security will be the mining rights of the whole Province.

It is stated that British and American merchants are favourably disposed towards the loan, but that the Japanese oppose it, whilst the French have not yet indicated their attitude.

Funds are still badly needed by the Government, and as the Sunning Railway Company has not complied with the order to advance \$300,000 for military expenses, an order was issued by the Government on the 17th to have the railway temporarily commandeered and supervised by Government officials. An official notice to this effect has been circulated to all the officials and shareholders of the Company.

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Barometer 2 p.m. 29.70.
Temperature 2 p.m. 86.
Humidity 2 p.m. 71.
High Tide 1.53 p.m. Low Water 8.46 p.m.
Lighting Up-Time, 7.10 p.m.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

Consignees are notified of the arrival of the *s.s. "Chambord."*—Page 4.
Nicola is mystifying large audiences at the Star Theatre.—Page 12.
For particulars of forthcoming auction sales refer to Page 4.

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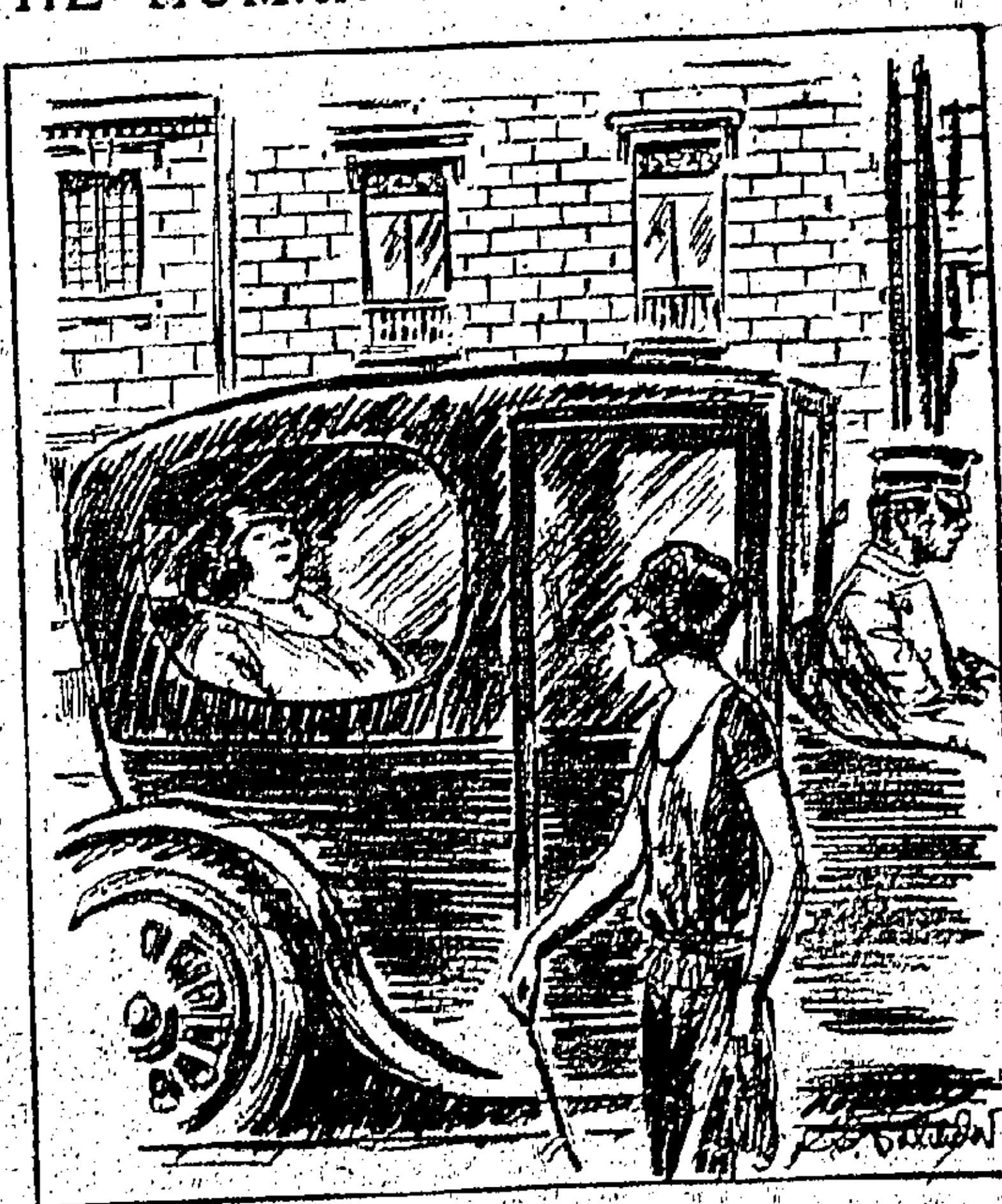
Powell's are holding a special show of dainty millinery.—Page 1
Anderson's have received a consignment of new music.—Page 4.

The *s.s. "Persia Maru"* having arrived with cargo, consignees are given the usual notice.—Page 4
Lane, Crawford's are holding a special sale of ladies' shoes.—Page 6.

Current cinema attractions are advertised on Page 12.

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EXHIBITION.

Meeting of Hongkong

Committee.

A meeting of the Exhibition Committee of the Hongkong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce was held yesterday afternoon, Mr. Li Po kwai presiding.

The Chairman said the Committee had been advised that the number of buildings allotted to Chinese exhibitors from Hongkong had been reduced from 24 to 22.

A good many entries had been received and in view of the extent of the support that was likely to be received from the Chinese that number of buildings might be found to be inadequate. He asked the Chinese Chamber's representatives on the Joint Committee of the two Chambers to tell the meeting what fresh information they had.

The Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall said that at a recent meeting of the Joint Committee, at which he and Sir Robert Ho Tung were present, he had ascertained that the sum of \$150,000 to be provided by the Government to cover freight and passage expenses was for Chinese only. As regarded the proposed dimensions of the buildings, it was the opinion of a foreign member of the Joint Committee that the suggested width of 80 feet was excessive and that it would be better to leave the question of dimensions to the Hongkong Committee in London, which included such old residents of Hongkong as Sir Newton Stabb, Mr. Perkins and Mr. Chatham.

Mr. Kotewall said that a few days ago a telegram had been received from London stating that only 22 buildings could be allotted to Chinese exhibitors. This telegram asked for information as to the number of people who would attend the Exhibition, so that arrangements could be made for their accommodation, and also whether any women would be sent. Mr. Kotewall said the Chinese section would provide congenial work for women and to his mind the fair sex should be represented. Sir Robert Ho Tung intended to exhibit silk worms and silk reeling processes.

Mr. Ip Lan-chuen (Secretary of the Chamber) said several enquiries had been received as to whether women would be sent to the Exhibition. One applicant for space suggested sending several women to operate cloth weaving apparatus which he proposed to set up at the Exhibition, while another asked if he would be permitted to send young girls to attend on customers at his counter. Mr. Ip Lan-chuen added that the entries received included porcelain, rattan, lacquer and brass ware, embroidery, curios, furniture, jade articles and silk. The Canton-Nanyang Brothers Tobacco Company had written to the Chamber that they intended to send twenty cases of their brands of cigarettes and that they wanted two buildings.

It was stated by Sir Robert Ho Tung that he also wanted two buildings for the display of silk worm rearing and processes connected with the silk industry. His requisition was, of course, subject to advice from the Exhibition Committee in London, to whom he had written as to whether climatic conditions in England would permit of the introduction of these worms. As an experiment he intended to send silk worms from his farm in the New Territories at different times before the Exhibition, to ascertain if they would survive.

Mr. Kotewall asked if the twenty-two buildings would be all taken up.

The Chairman and the Secretary both replied that that number would not be sufficient.

It was decided to limit the number of men to be sent to the Exhibition to 125 and that of women to 25.

This ended the meeting.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

CIVIL WAR IN GERMANY.

Berlin, July 19.

A semi-official statement published here declares that the rumours of the possibility of civil war breaking out in Germany are foundationless. "As the overwhelming majority of the German people would obviously not allow itself to be led by any influence into such criminal foolishness and sanguinary political fights" but that in the event of any attempt at forcible revolt, the government would ruthlessly use all the means at its disposal to overcome such an attack against its existence.

THE RUM RUNNERS.

Boston, Mass., July 19.

The federal court has remanded, on a bail of \$3,000, for hearing in August, the negro captain of British schooner Kaduskak, which was seized by the coastguard cutter Ossipe twenty-five miles off Cape Ann and towed into this harbour. It is alleged that the Captain participated in a rum running conspiracy. He pleaded not guilty but admitted that the schooner, when seized, had aboard 1,800 cases of whisky and gin consigned from Trinidad to St. Pierre.

His counsel contended that the Captain was arrested in violation of international law. The Kaduskak is still in the harbour. It has not yet been decided whether she will be permitted to her take cargo to St. Pierre.

ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY.

London, July 19.

H. M. the King to-day gave audience to a deputation of the Royal Asiatic Society on the occasion of the centenary. The Prince of Wales previously welcomed the representatives of the foreign dominions and societies and paid them tribute for the predominant part they played as public servants in scholarly contributions to the Oriental Research Society. The deputation was luncheoned at the government house, Lord Peel, Secretary for India presiding. Sir John Jordan was among the guests.

TRANS CONTINENTAL FLIGHT.

New York, July 19.

Lieutenant Maughan started this morning on his second attempt to fly over the United States between dawn and dusk.

UNHAPPY MARRIAGES.

Warning by Former Bishop

of Hongkong.

English clergy are being urged to use the utmost caution, and to make diligent inquiries before solemnizing marriages between Chinese men and white women.

The fascination for many girls of the almond-eyed Oriental, and his industry, sobriety, courtesy, and good-nature has been long regarded in Swansea and in Leeds as a peril, but in spite of warnings and advice the majority of resident Chinese have no difficulty in securing white wives.

When these women are induced to travel to China—and almost every Chinaman intends to return to his homeland sooner or later—they find themselves in an intolerable position, and a number have to seek assistance to get out of the country.

To prevent rash unions of this kind, Bishop Lander, of Victoria, Hongkong, has sent a warning message to the clergy of Liverpool, pointing out the racial status of white wives in China. Referring to the fact that nearly all Chinamen are betrothed before setting out for Europe, he says nearly all young men are married before they attain the age of 21.

A betrothal probably takes place years before that, and it is very difficult to break it off, although the contracting parties might have never met. Even in cases in which young men are free when leaving China, their parents may, after their departure, affiance them to China girls without the men's knowledge.

A rich Chinaman may have as many wives as he likes, and be none the less respected by his neighbours. The position of

THE LINCHENG

AFFAIR.

Committee of Indemnity

Ends Labours.

Shanghai, July 19.—The Diplomatic Body's committee consider that their work on the Lincheng indemnities is completed. It is reported that a note is now being drafted and will shortly be submitted to the plenary meeting of the Diplomatic Corps and then handed to Waichiaoou.—Reuter.

secondary wives is such as no self-respecting English woman can endure.

"In South China I came across several European wives of Chinese men," adds the Bishop, "who told me that they had lived happily with their husbands until they went to China. After that, in almost all cases, they acknowledged they had made a mistake. I had frequently to get the assistance of benevolent friends to assist these unhappy women to return to England or the Colonies."

White brides of Chinamen and their friends, concluded the Bishop, should have their eyes open to the peculiar difficulties that may await them.

THE ANTI-JAPANESE BOYCOTT.

Changsha Japanese Return to Homes.

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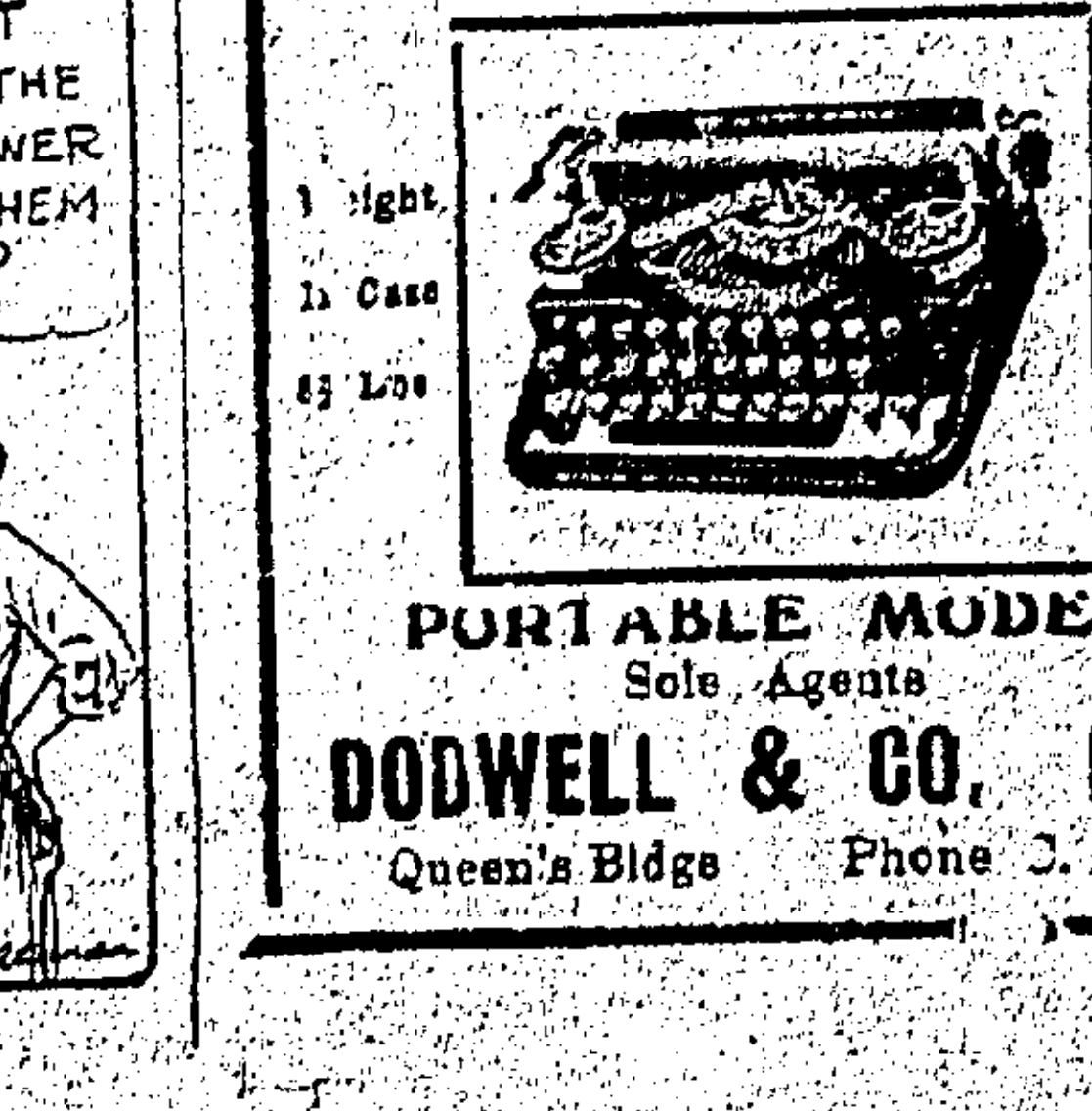
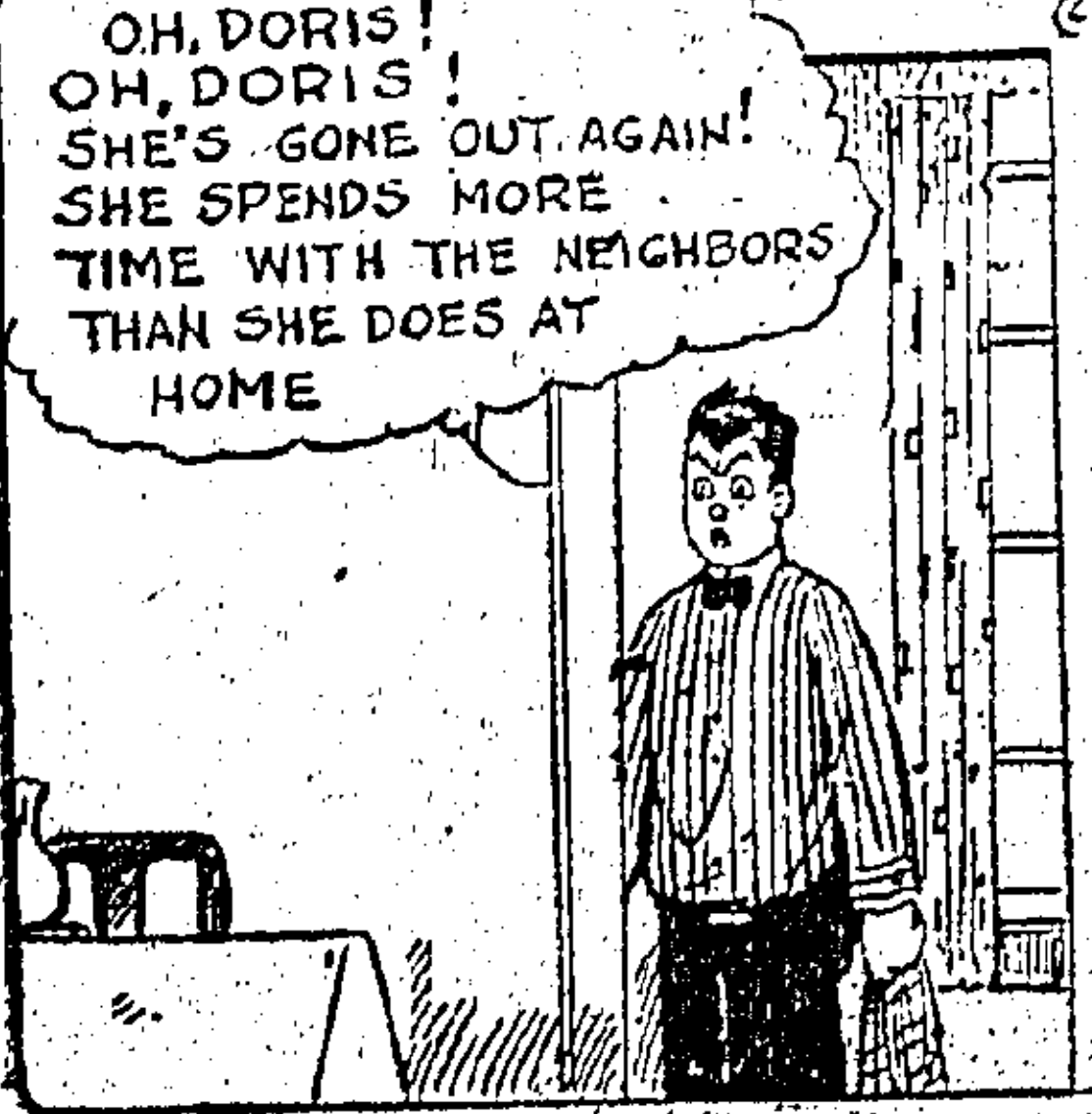
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LIVERPOOL'S ESCAPE.

Fire Under 120 Tons of
Explosives.

How a tremendous explosion that would have "blown away the whole countryside," was narrowly averted at Liverpool by the bravery of four men, was told to a meeting of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board.

A huge consignment of picric acid was sent to Liverpool by the War Office for shipment to Portsmouth by H. M. S. Marquis of Hartington.

While wagons containing the explosive chemical were in a north dock a steam crane fell across them, the boiler fires of the crane dropping underneath the wagons.

The crane, whose axle had broken, came to rest on the top of two of the wagons, while the boiler fire underneath blazed up to the under side of the wagon floor.

At great risk to themselves, Joseph Floss, a watchman, employed by the Cunard Company Police-Constable Morgan, Michael Lavin, and Joshua Bamber,

extinguished the flames just in time to prevent a terrible explosion.

BRAVERY REWARDED.

Mr. Arthur W. Bibby moved a recommendation to authorise payment of awards of £5 each to two of the men mentioned and £3 each to the other two.

The Government, he said, had a right to pass through the dock any explosives, however dangerous.

On this occasion they sent 20 tons of picric acid, probably one of the most dangerous explosives possible to imagine, right into the centre of the city and docks.

If anything had happened to that consignment the whole side of the country would have been blown away, and the loss of life and property would have been beyond description.

KNEW THEIR RISK.

A crane, which was being moved, fell on wagons, and the impact was quite sufficient to have exploded the whole thing. When the fire got under the wagons they were in a crisis of catastrophe such as had never witnessed before.

The men they had recommended for consideration and praise, or at any rate two of them, knew perfectly well the risks they were running. By their action they saved the port and city from this tragedy at the risk of their lives.

"I am sure," continued Mr. Bibby, "that the present Secretary of State for War would be disgusted and horrified as much as any of us to think that such a thing could happen, and that we were at the mercy of some irresponsible and light-hearted officials of the War Office."

"The notice of the authorities has been brought to the matter, and I hope that it will put a stop to this kind of thing, because I understand that there are further shipments which they propose to make of the stuff."

"The stuff was made in Shropshire, and in the ordinary course of events should have been sent, one would think, in the quickest possible way to Portsmouth, where it was required, instead of training it through our populous city."

A YEAR OF EARTH- QUAKES.

Bad Outlook for 1923.

Says "Le Courier Saignonnais" in a recent issue:—The year 1923 will perhaps see a good vintage but it seems it will be a year too of abundant earthquakes. The Abbot Moreux, in his "Review Scientifique," says:—The last months of 1922 and the first of this year have witnessed several earthquakes. They have taken place at Manila, Ariege, Perpignan and more notably so, in America. The Abbot prophesies a series of cataclysms from seismic upheavals in Japan, the Antilles, Mexico and perhaps in Turkestan. The Midi, in France, will also he says, experience shocks but, happily of a less disastrous nature. The Director of the Observatory at Bourges, on the subject writes:—Solar activity is the main cause of the scientific declarations made by Abbot Moreux. It is this factor which augments or diminishes the electrical charges in the terrestrial atmosphere and provokes expansion or contractions on the crust of the earth. Solar activity was at its maximum in 1917 and this year should be at its minimum.

ARE FOUR MEN A MOB?

House of Lords Reverse a
Decision.

Do four armed men acting in concert constitute a riotous assembly?

This was the question placed before the Law Lords during an appeal against a decision of the Irish Courts.

A Wexford motorist was held up by four armed men and his car stolen. When he applied to the Motor Union Insurance Company with whom he had insured for £300, they repudiated the liability, because of a clause in their policy excepting loss or damage "during or in consequence of war, riot, civil commotion, military or usurped power."

The Lord Chief Justice in Ireland held that the case was one of theft, and that the mere fact that the theft was committed by four armed men did not make it a riot. The judges in the Irish Court of Appeal upheld this decision, so the insurance company appealed to the House of Lords.

The House of Lords unanimously allowed the appeal, Lord Birkenhead remarking that he was sorry, in what was probably the last appeal from Southern Ireland, to have to give a judgment which over-ruled the decision of so many eminent Irish judges. But in this case, in his opinion, there was both civil commotion and riot, and the appeal must be allowed.

GENERAL NEWS.

NOTED PICTURE SECURED
FOR THE NATION.

A famous picture has been acquired for the nation. It is the portrait of Gainsborough's two daughters by himself, which was sold at Christie's last month to Messrs. Knoedler for 2,900 guineas. It is now on view in the National Gallery. It dates from 1758, towards the end of Gainsborough's Ipswich period, and is one of his most brilliant works.

BRONZE AGE DISCOVERY.

Hand-Made Pottery and Bones
of 1000 B.C.

During flint digging operations near Peacehaven, the new Sussex garden city, a barrow has been found with many features distinct from those usually associated with the South Downs tumuli.

The interment consists of badly cremated human bones and skull fragments in a flint mound. The cremation was found surrounded by pieces of the rim of a large hand-made pottery vessel, decorated with a rough pattern of lines, probably produced by the impress of twisted string before the pot was fired.

The barrow is thought to belong to the latter period of the Bronze Age (about 1000 B.C.), when cremation had become a common custom.

Among the flints which composed the centre of the mound are a few fragments of what, on first examination, experts think to be hand-made Bronze Age pottery.

The position of the burial place—at the mouth of a tributary comb which runs into the Saltdean Gully—is most unusual. Many Downland Valley burials by cremation have been discovered, but all those so far found belong to the early Iron Age and Romano-British times.

Mr. H. S. Tomes, curator of the Brighton Museum, is studying the find on behalf of local archaeological societies.

POSED AS HER SISTER TO
GET MARRIED.

Under age and failing to get her father's consent to her marriage, a Cheltenham girl was said to have handed the local registrar a birth certificate belonging to an elder sister. She was then married in her sister's name. The local magistrates recently sent her for trial on a charge of making a false declaration.

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THE Public are hereby
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East between Arsenal Street and
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to motor traffic from TUESDAY,
17th. inst. until further notice.
P. P. J. WODEHOUSE,
Acting Captain Superintendent
of Police.

Hongkong 16th. July 1923.

NOTICE.

TO Owners and Drivers of
Motor Vehicles. The Coast-
al Road between Castle Peak and
Tsau-Wan is CLOSED to
Motor Traffic. The Coastal Road,
from the junction of the Tai Po
Road to Tsau-Wan is now open to
traffic.

E. D. C. WOLFE,

Captain Superintendent of Police.
Hongkong, 18th. July, 1923.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

S.S. "PERSIA MARU,"

Vor. 36 SOUTH.

From SAN FRANCISCO via
HONOLULU JAPAN PORTS
& MANILA

The above named Steamer
having arrived on Thursday, 19th.
July, 1923, consignees of cargo
are hereby notified to present
their Bills of Lading for counter-
signature, and take immediate
delivery from alongside steamer
or the Company's Godown, where
all cargo impeding immediate
discharge will be landed at
consignees' risk.

Storage will be assessed on
cargo remaining undelivered
after Thursday, 26th. July, 1923.
All broken, chafed and damaged
packages will be landed into
the Company's Godown where
same will be examined on
Thursday, 26th. July, 1923, at
11 a.m.

No claims will be recognised
for the goods have left the
steamer or Godown, and none
will be entertained if presented
later than three weeks after
arrival of steamer.

No Fire insurance whatever
will be effected.

Y. TSUTSUMI,

Manager.

Hongkong, July 20th, 1923.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

SERVICES CONTRACTUALS
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S.S. "CHAMBORD"

Consignees of Cargo from
Marseilles &c. also cargo ex
s.s. "Ville de Verdun"
& "Min" from Havre, Cognac
&c.

In connection with above
Steamer are hereby informed that
their good with the exception of
Opium, Treasure and Valuables
are being landed and stored at
their risk into the Godowns of the
Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon,
whence delivery may be obtained
immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be for-
warded on unless intimation is
received from the Consignee
before noon to-day requesting it
to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be counter-
signed by the Undersigned. Goods
remaining unclaimed after the
25th. inst. at Noon will be
subject to rent and lading
charges.

All claims must be sent in to
me on or before the 29th. July,
1923, or they will not be
recognised.

All damaged packages will be
examined on Wednesday the 25th
inst. at 10 a.m. by Messrs. God-
dard & Douglas.

No Fire insurance has been
effected.

R. RODENFUSEB

Acting agent.

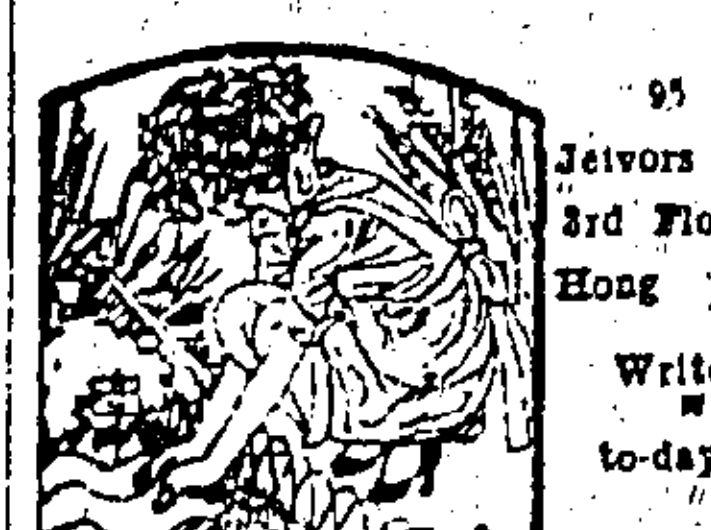
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FOOTBALL.

King's Platoon Competition

Interest in this Competition has
been fully maintained during the
week, and some excellent games
have been witnessed. Low scoring
has been the rule, only one team
(No. 3 Platoon) registering more
than two goals.

No. 2 Platoon maintained their
improved form, playing a drawn
game with No. 15 Platoon last
Friday night.

On Saturday, No. 2 Group
accounted for No. 5 by two goals
to one, after being a goal in arrears
at half-time. This gives the Group
a good lead in the struggle for the
premier position in the League.

No. 10 Platoon obtained
maximum points from their
fixture with No. 9 Platoon by a
score of two goals to one. This was
a game in which all three goals
were obtained as the result of mis-
takes on the part of two reliable
goal-keepers.

No. 11 Platoon beat No. 12
Platoon Monday by two goals
to nil, and the same afternoon No.
16 Platoon were unfortunate to
lose to No. 1 Group by 2-1.

No. 4 Group increased Head-
quarter Wing's points at the
expense of No. 7 by 2 goals to 1,
and No. 3 Group, who were the
only team of H. Q. Wing to lose,
went down to No. 13 by 2-0.

No. 8 Platoon, who during the
match failed to convert two
penalty kicks, shared the points
with a strong side from No. 14
Platoon.

No. 6 Platoon lost to No. 1
Platoon on Wednesday night, and
to No. 15 Platoon on Thursday
night after exciting struggles.

The best game witnessed was
the second game yesterday, when
No. 3 beat No. 9 Platoon by a
goal to nil. It was a fast game
throughout and the excellent long
passing tactics adopted by No. 3
Platoon's forward line upset the
calculations of No. 9 Platoon's
defence. No. 9 were fortunate
not to lose by a much bigger
margin.

League Table.

The League Table, including
Thursday night's matches, is as
follows:—

		P.W.D.L.	Goals.	F. A.
No. 2 Group	13	12	10	27
No. 1 Group	13	9	31	30
No. 4 Group	12	8	31	33
No. 10 Platoon	14	7	43	16
No. 9 Platoon	15	7	35	24
No. 11 Platoon	14	6	44	24
No. 5 Platoon	14	6	44	26
No. 1 Platoon	13	5	53	17
No. 14 Platoon	14	4	64	18
No. 13 Platoon	14	5	45	14
No. 6 Platoon	15	6	27	23
No. 3 Platoon	14	5	45	15
No. 12 Platoon	14	3	74	11
No. 15 Platoon	14	4	46	13
No. 4 Platoon	13	3	37	15
No. 3 Group	14	4	19	14
No. 2 Platoon	14	3	38	7
No. 7 Platoon	14	3	29	12

The Week's Results.

This week's results are as
follows:—

No.	No.
2 Platoon 1; 15 Platoon 1.	
3 Platoon 3; 8 Platoon 0.	
2 Group 2; 5 Platoon 1.	
10 Platoon 2; 9 Platoon 1.	
11 Platoon 2; 12 Platoon 0.	
1 Group 2; 6 Platoon 1.	
13 Platoon 2; 3 Group 0.	
4 Group 2; 7 Platoon 1.	
8 Platoon 1; 14 Platoon 0.	
1 Platoon 1; 6 Platoon 0.	
3 Platoon 1; 9 Platoon 0.	
15 Platoon 2; 4 Platoon 1.	

Total Points.

Total points obtained by Com-
panies towards Battalion Football
Cup:—

H. Q. Wing	74
C. Coy.	64
D. Coy.	48
A. Coy.	47
B. Coy.	43

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Happy Valley to West Point.

Only recently an afternoon
motor omnibus service was in-
augurated between Whitty Street
and the Ming Yuen Gardens.
This, we believe, is a special
service for the benefit particularly
of certain classes of Chinese.
The fare is comparatively high—
30 cents—and there is no stopping
en route to take up passengers.

Something in the nature of a
general motor bus service is, how-
ever, shortly to be run between
Happy Valley and West Point,
via Queen's Road, and, consider-
ing the heavy traffic on that route,
it should meet with much support
from the public.

A representative of this paper,
who enquired at the Colonial
Secretariat, has had the news con-
firmed. The Government is
considering the question of
shortly calling for tenders.
The Hon. Mr. Fletcher, acting
Colonial Secretary, informed our
representative that there had
been various applications for the
monopoly of running buses on the
route from Happy Valley to West
Point, and it was considered that
the fairest way of dealing with
the matter was to call for tenders.

THE CORONET.

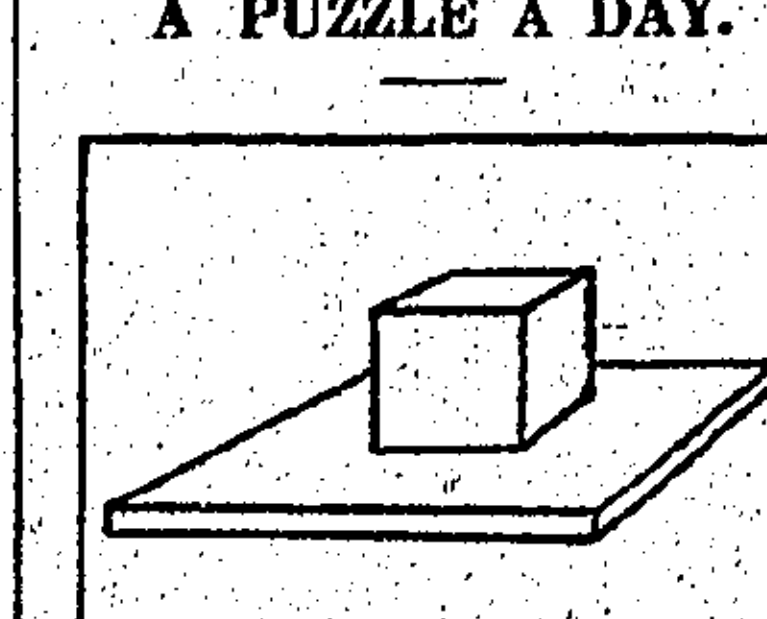
Habit Cured By a Dream.

How a young girl with the
pendent habit is cured by a
vision is shown in the big picture
which commences to-day at the
Coronet, "Habit," featuring the
popular star, Mildred Harris, is
the story of a spendthrift daughter,
whose easy ways with
regard to money matters are her
father's despair. His money con-
tinually going in buying his
daughter clothes, the time comes
when the father puts his foot
down and he refuses to give her
any more. In a dream the
daughter sees her father go
through bankruptcy, and from
disgrace to suicide. How the
vision cures her thriftless ways,
how she gets into the clutches of
a man she hates, how she meets
and marries the man she really
loves, and how their safety is
overshadowed by the arm of the
law, is a cleverly worked out
story, which should provide some
real thrills for all who visit the
Coronet during the course of the
next few days. "Habit" has
the promise of being a very fine
picture.

VOLUNTEER OPEN-AIR CONCERT.

There should be a large
attendance at the open-air concert
to be given on the Hongkong
Volunteer Defence Corps parade
ground at 9.15 to-morrow night.
The King's Regt. band will play
selections, opening with one from
"Il Trovatore." Mr. Osmond
Skinner will next give two songs,
and Mrs. N. Mathieson will con-
tribute Sanderson's "Break of
Day." A clarinet concerto and "A
Musical Sketch" by the military
band, and an impersonation by
that popular contributor, Mr. I.
Zelenka, will complete the first
part of the programme. After the
interval there will be several
further pieces by the regimental
band, including selections from
Gilbert and Sullivan, interspers-
ing a contralto solo by Mrs.
Mathieson, a vocal duet by Mr.
and Mrs. S. Collett, and a hum-
orous song by Mr. W. A.
Hannibal.

A PUZZLE A DAY.



A man had a large number of
wooden blocks, each block a per-
fect cube. He took half of the
blocks and piled them up together
so that they formed a large cube.
He laid the other blocks flat
around the great cube, and found
that they formed a perfect square.
(See diagram.) How many blocks
did he have?
Yesterday's answer:
If a clock strikes the hours, and
rings a single stroke for the half-
hours, it will make twenty-six
single strokes in the course of a
twenty-four hour day, as it strikes
twenty-four half hours, and on
two occasions strikes the hour one.

C.S.P.'s ESCAPE.

Contractor Fined For Careless Blasting.

The Captain Superintendent of
Police, Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe,
appeared before Mr. C. D.
Melbourne, at the Police Court
to-day, to prosecute a road con-
tractor Hoy Lee, of No. 76 Shang-
hai Street, for not observing proper
precautions whilst carrying out
blasting operations.

Mr. Wolfe stated that at about
5.20 p.m. on the 17th instant, he
was going up Stubbs Road in a
car when, at the junction with
Bowen and Wong Nei Chong
Roads, he was stopped by a man
frantically waving a red flag, to
indicate that a blasting explosion
was about to occur. Witness
wanted to go forward so as to get
into Wong Nei Chong Road, out
of danger's way, before the ex-
plosion took place, but the man
insisted on his not advancing. The
explosion took place whilst the car
was being backed down the road.
Debris and stones began to shower
down, and one piece of rock, the
size of a loaf of bread passed over
their heads.

Witness said his contention was
that there should be a proper
number of men stationed at the
various approaches at the locality
to give timely warning. The con-
tractor should have, no less than
three men, as there were five dif-
ferent approaches to the spot. One
man should be stationed at the
corner of Stubbs and Bowen Road,
and another further down Stubbs
Road to prevent pedestrians from
getting into the hairpin bend. A
third man with the gong should
take a place on the upper part of
Stubbs Road. Witness went on
to remark that since he returned
from leave the same conditions
still prevailed. If contractors
would only ask for advice
and assistance from the police
in cases of this kind, they would
get it. He asked for a fairly
heavy penalty to be imposed in
the present case.

Mr. Melbourne inflicted a fine
of \$100 and cautioned the de-
fendant against a repetition of
the offence.

OUR PUBLIC GARAGES.

Something More About the Peak Scheme.

Not 10 g ago tenders were
called for by the Government for
the erection of a public garage,
with nine compartments, on the
new Peak motor road (Stubbs
Road). A representative of the
Telegraph, who enquired at the
Colonial Secretariat, learns that
the site is to be at Magazine Gap.
The Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher
pointed out to our representative
that the idea was to provide fac-
ilities for those residents of that dis-
trict who urgently need garage
accommodation, and in a way
to encourage the owner-driver.
There will not be any chauffeur
accommodation—just nine lock-
up places, in charge of a caretaker.
The rent of cash storage room
will be about \$25 a month.
Asked about similar facilities
for Kowloon, Mr. Fletcher said
that would depend on the public
demand. For the present it was
more a matter for private enter-
prise over there. The Government
would provide garages for owner-
drivers, along the lines of the
Magazine Gap scheme, only if
there were a public demand in
Kowloon proving the need for
such an undertaking.

In this connection it may be
pointed out that recently the
Government invited tenders for a
short lease (of four years) of
railway land close to the station
in Kowloon for the erection of a
garage. The lessee of this land
will not be permitted to use it for
any other purpose.

YOUTHFUL SNATCHER.

To Receive a Whipping.

A small boy was the defendant
in a case of snatching heard by
Mr. J. B. Wood at the Police
Court this morning.

Sub-Inspector R. Lanigan said
the boy snatched a gold-mounted
rattan bangle from a little girl
who was sitting outside her house
at Saiwanho. He ran into a pawn-
broker's and asked that \$1.50 be
loaned to him on the security of the
bangle. Whilst this was in pro-
cess, a number of people who had
joined in the chase after the
snatcher, came into the shop and
he was obliged to leave the bangle
behind and seek safety in flight.
Eventually he was overhauled by
a constable and arrested.

Observing the diminutive size
of the culprit, his Worship sought
medical advice before ordering a
whipping. On receipt of the pri-
son surgeon's certificate, his
Worship ordered that ten strokes
be inflicted.

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When William Rokeby, the principal comedian in a farcical comedy at the Palace Pier, Brighton, exclaimed, "I'm suffering, I'm suffering," the audience, convulsed with laughter, did not know that he was speaking the truth.

A few minutes after he left the theatre, the comedian was found dead some 15 yards from the stage door.

He was in great agony during the performance, but pluckily refused to abandon his part.

By a tragic coincidence, Rokeby, whose own name was William Henry Dowdswell, took the part of a railway porter with an ambition to become a great singer, who had heard that the pathway to success in art lay through suffering.

"I'm suffering," were the last words he uttered on the stage, and so far as is known he did not speak again.

"SCARLET PIMPERNEL"
OF SCIENCE.Inventor Who "Bluffed"
French Troops.

A scientific remnant of the Ruhr is revealed by Mrs. Phillip Snowden, in a letter to the *Daily Chronicle*.

It concerns an invention by a German chemist—Dr. Hermann Wolf—by which the yield of benzene and motor petrol from raw oils is doubled. This invention, it is understood, is to be exploited by a British firm which has recently purchased the Munitions Ministry's explosive store and refining plant near Chester.

How the invention was narrowly saved from seizure by the French is told by Mrs. Snowden.

"So romantic has been the incident," she says, and so elusive, that the inventor might well be called the Scientific Pimpernel.

FROM 1914 onwards Dr. Wolf had his apparatus installed, and was working towards its perfection, at Neuss, on the left bank of the Rhine. Owing to the exigencies of the war he was unable to obtain raw oil, so work was retarded until recently. Soon after this difficulty was overcome, however, a more formidable one sprang up in its place.

"The sudden appearance of the French troops on the hills outside the town necessitated its instant dismantling. This was carried out successfully, but not without recourse to ruse.

In order to persuade the French troops to forgo its seizure or destruction it was deemed necessary to persuade them that the plant was nothing more interesting, or less like a war machine, than a boot-blackening manufacturing apparatus.

A transfer to Dusseldorf followed. Unfortunately the French followed also.

SPIRITED AWAY.

More inquiries ensued, more investigations, more suspicion, and eventually under cover of the same tale, Dr. Wolf spirited his invention into the quiet of the Hinterland away from French interference.

If the French had not been deceived in this matter, this invention would have been lost, and the enormous potential benefits to industry with it. Is not the conclusion significant?

KING BUYS CANADIAN CATTLE

After travelling 6,000 miles, Canadian cattle were sold in Norwich Market recently. Some of these beasts which fetched high prices, are to go to his Majesty's estate at Sandringham.

SEA MONSTER.

Recent Capture Off Florida.

Miami, Fla., June 11.—A 40,000 pound sea monster, caught by Claude Nolan off Long Key on Saturday, after an all-day struggle, has been classified by L. L. Mowbray, founder of the Miami Aquarium and Vice President of the New York Aquarium, as being of the species *ryndodon* type. Mr. Mowbray said today that the big fish was of the same species as the one captured by Captain Charles Thompson several years ago.

The Thompson fish was forty-five feet long, but weighed only 30,000 pounds, while that captured on Saturday by Nolan is thirty-five feet long, 23 feet in girth, with a tail span of twelve feet.

The Nolan capture was the third largest fish to be taken in South Florida waters in recent years, another, thirty feet long and weighing approximately 25,000 pounds, having been captured early in June, 1919, by Dr. H. Schlegel off Cape Sable.

Preparations are under way to skin the fish. It has been hauled up on the shore at Long Key after Nolan and his associates had harpooned it and pumped fifty shots from a rifle into the monster's body before it was subdued. The skin, vertebrae and entrails will be held pending the arrival of experts from the American Museum of Natural History for examination.

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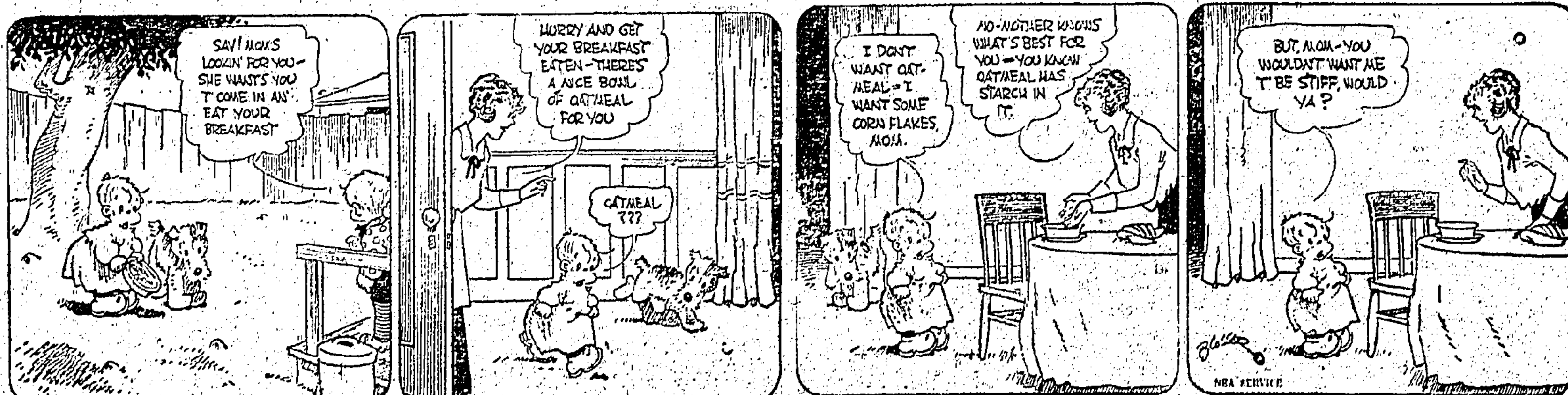
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SUN'S STATUS.

When we recently enquired regarding the exact status of Dr. Sun Yat-sen and his Government, we were earnestly seeking information. The statement later appearing in a Canton contemporary giving Mr. C. C. Wu's views was evidently a reply to our query. In our issue of Wednesday we examined that reply, and we do not think that anyone, even Mr. Benton C. Byrd, who wrote on the subject yesterday, can truthfully say that our report was in the least degree offensive. We subjected Mr. Wu's explanation to a plain analysis of his words, with no intention whatever of holding them up to ridicule. The question of Dr. Sun's moral and physical courage, about which Mr. Byrd writes so lengthily, does not come into the question at all. We have never doubted either. Incidentally, we would not hold his job for a million a year.

The sole object of our comment was to show that Dr. Sun's present status in Canton is, in fact, precisely what it was when he was previously in the city. Either he is at the head of a Government or he is not. If he is, then that Government is a rival Government to that in Peking. We also asserted that he had abandoned his policy of "peaceful unification." That surely is proved by the fact that he is the military chief of the forces now fighting on various fronts in Kwangtung. If he is not fighting for eventual unification, what else do the operations mean? If he is, then he obviously must have abandoned his "peaceful" policy. Of course, it can be argued that Dr. Sun is at present fighting for self-preservation, for the defence of the Province, but it must not be overlooked that the present troubles originate from Sun's own actions. It is a matter of history that whilst he was in Shanghai, and after he had declared in favour of peaceful unification, he invoked the aid of Yunnanese and Kwangsi militarists for the purpose of ousting Chan King-ming. His ultimate object may have been unification, but he most decidedly used military means to attain his ends. In other words, he forsook the conference table for the battlefield. Judging by his reply to Sir Robert Ho Tung, however, he is still prepared to

talk matters over at a conference. So much the better. That is the wiser way.

We have no personal animus towards Dr. Yat-sen. We do not doubt or call into question his patriotism. We do, however, claim the right to judge him by his actions. Neither he nor his supporters can object to that. All public men must be prepared to meet criticism. Our quarrel in the past has been with Dr. Sun's policies rather than with Dr. Sun.

Proposed New Racecourse.

Our readers must have been greatly interested to learn of the revival of the proposal to have a second racecourse in Hongkong—an "international" one out at Aberdeen. The scheme is of much public interest, despite efforts made to discredit our announcement. So far from the project being "all in the air," the necessary capital has been, over subscribed. Horse-racing is a great sport, which receives the maximum of encouragement here, and as regards the new course all one can say is "the more the merrier." As will have been seen from our announcement yesterday, however, there are to be other branches of sport connected with the scheme—a golf course, and an athletic stadium. The idea of a Stadium has much to commend it. This matter has, however, yet to be decided, and we take this opportunity of offering a suggestion. It will be impossible to have both an attractive golf course and a Stadium on the new Racecourse, and one or the other would have to be on another site. We think an excellent place for the Stadium would be just off the new 100-ft. road, near Kowloon City, where the Government has long been considering the provision of a big public recreation ground. The proposed Kowloon tramway service will eventually run out to that district, where a fine open space offers itself, or land of small value for any other purpose. What better situation could there be for Hongkong's Wembley?

Our German Trophies.

There is something almost characteristic of British mentality in the way the many German trophies sent out to various parts of the Empire have been treated. We are not a military, though a fighting, race; and to us, evidently, a captured relic of war has its right place—a museum. Thus one finds no great show made of the mortars, field-guns and other German weapons that our forces captured during the Great War. In one place we know of, a field-gun which, maybe, cost many brave men their lives, in its death-dealing career and its subsequent defence and capture, lies on its side in the back-yard of a theatre, seldom used. It lies there in sun and rain, a relic of grim war, forgotten, and of no more interest to the average inhabitant than if it were scrap iron. In some parts of the Empire these trophies have roused angry resentment, as being too vivid reminders of a conflict best forgotten. So that hard-won relics, such as machine-guns and trench mortars, after travelling all the way out to the Commonwealth of Australia, for instance, have found a last resting place on the river bottom. Hongkong had four pieces of "artillery" among its trophies, but the passer-through and sight-seer would hardly know it. Two German mortars repose at Police Headquarters, and two field-guns take up some of the precious space in the Volunteer drill hall. We learn that nothing is intended to be done with them by the authorities for the present. Perhaps if it were not so troublesome to move them, they might take their place on Flagstaff Hill, and keep company with the lonely, obsolete little cannon that at present looks out pathetically over the harbour. They might even come in useful as signal pieces. Or else they might await the day when there will be a big enough museum to put them in. Anything, in fact, but flung them as evidence that we won the war!

SHANGHAI COTTONS.

Dividend of Tls. 3.50.

Messrs. Benjamin and Potts are in receipt of a telegram from their Shanghai Office advising them that the Shanghai Cotton Manufacturing Company Ltd., has declared a dividend of Tls. 3.50 for the year ending 30th of June, 1923. The profit amounts to Tls. 490,000.

DAY BY DAY

THE MAN WHO DOES NOT WANT TO FIND OUT THE FACTS, DOES NOT WANT THE FACTS FOUND OUT.—*Coleman Cor.*

The Ming Yuen Studio has some excellent panoramic views of Macao, recently taken.

Yesterday's health return shows four cases of enteric fever (one British, one Indian and two Chinese) as well as two Chinese cases of plague.

According to a Peking telegram in the Daily Bulletin, a report states that Sun Yat-sen declared in an interview that he desires an alliance with Germany and Russia.

The Okeh Studio announces the arrival of a shipment of the "latest hits" in records, comprising varied assortment of violin solos, saxophone solos, waltzes, foxtrots, male quartettes, etc.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ writes asking us to correct the report in our last night's issue under the heading of "A Lawyer on Lawyers." He states that the exact words he used were: "Clients do love us to argue, even though they cannot understand, as a rule, a word we say."

A married woman yesterday committed suicide by hanging herself in a cubicle. Her condition was beyond all aid when discovered and the remains were removed by the police to the Public Mortuary pending an investigation into the circumstances.

A whist drive and tea in aid of the Ministering Children's League was given by Mrs. W. Forsyth at the Kowloon Dock Reading Room on Wednesday afternoon. The collection amounted to \$55. The prizewinners were:—1, Mrs. Morrison; 2, Mrs. Crawford; 3, Mrs. Cuthill; 4, Mrs. Kynoch.

Our Picture Page to-morrow will include groups of the Hongkong and Canton baseball teams which met on Saturday last, as well as a snapshot of the game in progress; a picture of the new Post Office launch built by Messrs. W.S. Bailey and Company; and a group of Naval Dockyard Rifle Club.

Nicola's great stunt near Blake Pier yesterday added materially to his popularity as a magician, and he was rewarded with a crowded house at the Star Theatre last night. He again appears to-night, with his clever company and to-morrow night he hopes to make some interesting announcements.

The relatives of Shum Tze-leung, Superintendent of the Chinese Telegraph Administration offices at Hongkong, who was shot and seriously injured, on the Praya on Monday, have offered a reward through the police authorities of \$2,000 for the arrest, or information leading to the arrest of the would-be assassins.

A well-known Chinese resident has passed away in the person of Mr. Chu Yu-tin, at the ripe age of 95 years. The deceased had been three times a Director of the Tung Wah Hospital and was also an official of the Po Leung Kuk. He was proprietor of the Kwong Man Tai, a firm included in the included in the Nam Pak Hong group, and had been a generous benefactor to the Hongkong University. The funeral takes place next week.

A female searcher arrested two men yesterday on the Praya for being in possession of 32 lbs. of raw opium. The prisoners admitted that the baskets in which the drug was discovered were theirs. At the Police Court this morning one of the men admitted full responsibility, stating that his companion had nothing to do with the drug. His Worship accepted the explanation, discharged the latter and ordered four months' hard labour to the other prisoner.

"Belmont," No. 6, Robinson Road, the property of Mr. Silva Netto, passed into the hands of Chinese buyers yesterday, the figure being \$373,366.50 which works out at \$3.90 a square foot. The deal was put through in the office of Mr. F. E. Nash. The extent to which local property has risen in value is shown by comparing yesterday's price with that paid some fifteen years ago, when it changed hands at between fifty and sixty thousand dollars.

THE MOLLER CASE.

Judgment Against Ex-Manager.

In a long written judgment (which the time at our disposal does not permit us to give to-day), Mr. Justice Gompertz delivered his decision, in the Summary Court, this afternoon, in the case in which Moller and Company (Hongkong), Limited, sued Mr. T. Orton, a former manager, as a result of a judgment given against them with respect to some flour contracts. Messrs. Moller were represented by Mr. E. W. Corbett. They claimed that Mr. Orton had no authority to make the contracts, and their allegation was that he made them on his own behalf.

Mr. Orton's case (conducted by Mr. A. el Arculli) was that he entered into the contracts on behalf of Messrs. Moller and Co.

His Honour held that Mr. Orton acted without authority in making the contracts, and judgment was entered for Messrs. Moller and Co., with costs.

A DAMAGED WIFE.

The Husband's Position.

Can a husband bring an action to recover the amount of a doctor's bill in connection with injuries suffered by his wife?

A legal debate between Mr. C. A. S. Russ and Mr. E. Davidson on this question took place in the Summary Court recently during the course of a case in which a Chinese clerk sued a firm of building contractors for damages caused by the alleged negligence of the defendant, or his servants, during blasting operations in the vicinity of plaintiff's house at Quarry Bay.

The claim included an item for medical expenses for plaintiff's wife, and Mr. Davidson's contention was that the husband had no right to sue.

Mr. Russ's argument was that a husband was liable to pay for necessities supplied to his wife and was bound by law to provide her with proper medical attendance. If the husband was liable through somebody's negligence, then he should be able to recover from the person responsible. He caused no little amusement by remarking that it was quite as imperative for the husband to pay for a doctor to repair his wife as it was for him to pay a carpenter to repair his door.

Mr. Davidson based his submissions on the Married Women's Property Ordinance, 1905. He contended that it was a wrong to plaintiff if a stone struck his furniture, but it was no wrong to him when a piece of stone struck his wife. His wife was not his property.

In the course of giving his decision, this afternoon, Mr. Justice Gompertz pointed out that the wife could have sued alone for personal injury, but not for medical attendance, as it was not incurred by her. However, his Honour thought it undesirable that defendant should be harassed by a new action by the wife, and he proposed, if the parties agreed, to amend the writ by joining the wife to plaintiff and assessing damages on that basis. Mr. Davidson objected, but his Honour over-ruled the protest and entered judgment for plaintiff for \$216.

MOTOR TRIALS.

Offer of "Texaco" Spirit and Oil.

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With regards to the contests, the General Committee appointed at last Tuesday's meeting will be called together early next week, when full details of the various competitions, and the date of the contests, will be discussed.

The upsetting of a jar of sulphuric acid caused injuries to a fitter employed by Messrs. Dodwell and Company yesterday. The acid was split over his face and arms, necessitating his removal to hospital.

THE CONSUL WINS.

Judgment in Passport Case.

In the Summary Court this morning, Mr. Justice Gompertz gave his decision in the recent action between Wong Yu-sai, a merchant, of Mexico, temporarily residing at Queen's Road Central, and A. Zuckermann, Consul for Mexico in Hongkong. Plaintiff (represented by Mr. M. K. Lo) claimed the return of a passport and \$1,000 damages. Defendant was represented by Mr. H. C. Maonamara.

His Honour said:—"The facts in this case are simple. The defendant is the Consul in Hongkong for Mexico. The plaintiff is a Chinese subject. It is agreed that on June 4th last the plaintiff handed to the defendant at his office a passport issued by the Government of Mexico. A consular visa is required on such passports if the holder desires to proceed to Mexico. Subsequently the plaintiff's claim is for its return and damages, or, in the alternative, for damages only."

"Now the defendants evidence is as follows:—Passports are by Mexican law Government documents, the property of the State. They are good for two years, but can be recalled at any time if they are irregular or are inapplicable to the person holding them. Consuls are instructed by the Mexican Government to impound all passports irregular in either of these respects and return them to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs."

Mr. Zuckermann states that, for reasons, which he gives, he formed the opinion that this passport was irregular. He retained it, therefore, and has forwarded it to the proper department in Mexico.

"It seems to me quite clear that the plaintiff can recover nothing. I take it that an alien who is granted a passport by the government of a sovereign state receives and holds that passport subject to all regulations governing such documents as that state may choose to enforce. If the issuing State, for reasons which seem good to itself, decides to cancel or withdraw the document and to determine the privileges secured under it, I do not conceive that any right of action accrues to the grantee. There is no breach of duty or of contract of which a Municipal Court can take cognisance. The remedy, if any, is by representation, diplomatic or otherwise, to the Government of the issuing State."

"It follows that no action will lie in our Courts against the agent—in this case a consul, who purports to act in accordance with the regulations governing passports made by the issuing State."

"There is a note in Hall's International Law, 6th edition, page 313, as follows:—'For obvious reasons a consul is not liable to the Courts for acts done by order of the Government from which he holds his commission.'"

"The proposition may be criticised as being too broadly stated, and also perhaps on the ground that it is not based on any decision of the Courts. There must be, however, obvious cases which fall within and illustrate it, and this in my opinion is one of them. That no decision is reported on similar facts is no doubt because no such action has heretofore been brought."

"I have delivered a written judgment at the particular request of the plaintiff's solicitor whose very able argument I desire to acknowledge. But on the facts, his case is, I think, a hopeless one. Judgment for defendant, with costs."

His Honour added that certain questions had been put in cross-examination, reflection on the good faith of defendant. There was no evidence on which those suggestions could be founded and they were really in the air. In his Honour's opinion it would have been better if they had not been put, and perhaps he should not have allowed them.

BOY AGED 16 AS WHIST CHAMPION.

A 16-year-old boy, who is the county champion of Hampshire, is one of the competitors in the final of the St. Dunstan's National Whist championship. A hundred and twenty county finalists from every county in England and Wales are to compete for £3,500 in cash prizes, besides a number of silver cups. The winning lady and gentleman will receive £1,000 each. A Bangor woman centurion has beaten only in the semi-final in her county.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

Teaching of Portuguese.

Sir,—If my last letter was too lengthy for detailed publication, this one shall be concise and be directed to the principal point under discussion.

In compliance with the sincere request made by "Foreigner" yesterday for a plain, straightforward answer to his chief question, I state that the Portuguese people of Hongkong unanimously consider that to them the Portuguese language is of even greater use in a commercial career than the French language. I would refer "Foreigner" and his supporters to my letter of July 14th for full explanations in support of this conclusion.

In the same way as "Foreigner" questioned the status of other writers amongst the local Portuguese community, I now have to question the importance of "Foreigner" among his people, because I strongly suspect that he is a degenerate renegade of Portuguese nationality and not a real foreigner, despite his *nom de plume*. By assuming the *nom de plume* of "Foreigner," he no doubt relied on the support of the British and foreign communities to back him up. This is the sole reason why I now challenge him to reveal his identity as a true gentleman and face the consequences.

In conclusion, I request "Britisher" to first find out the nationality of "Foreigner" before writing against the Portuguese community. Although I made a mistake in using the word "dialect," I can at any time personally prove to "Britisher" that I was a far better citizen even during the Great War, and even after, than that renegade "Foreigner" who has assumed that *nom de plume*.

Yours etc.

J. P. VIEIRA REMEDIOS
Hongkong, July 19th, 1923.

Sir,—In your issue of yesterday I promised to help "Foreigner," and he will become angry with me if I do not do so. He has shifted so fast from one subject to another, that I had many times to jump over Reason in order to follow him. I know, however, now, what he wants.

"Foreigner" wrote:—"I would like a straight-forward answer from any of my assailants to this question: Which is of greater use in a commercial career French or Portuguese?"

His assailants being of different nationalities, I take it it is "Foreigner's" opinion that the Portuguese by studying French in preference to Portuguese, every one of them, God aiding, could establish himself and carry on business with France, exporting from that country in competition with British firms here and at home.

But the aspiration of the Portuguese of Hongkong is different. My intimate friend "L," who has been corresponding on the subject in your valuable paper, has told the public that the Portuguese wanted their language taught to their children for patriotic reasons; and because it could be useful to the British. I refer "Foreigner" to the letter by "L" which appeared on July 16.

Now that we have unmasked "Foreigner," it is my and my friend "L's" desire that, before long, his name will be known to all the Portuguese in this Colony. I will not come to the Press again.

In conclusion, I must advise "Foreigner," for his good, to try to learn a very good language: silence. Even the Germans had this saying—"Reden ist Silber, schweigen ist Gold."

Thanking you for kindly publishing my letter.

Yours etc.

A THIRD FOREIGNER.
Hongkong, July 20th, 1923.

Sir,—The reply to "Foreigner's" question:—"Which is of greater use in a commercial career, French or Portuguese?" is neither.

The trade of Hongkong with France and her Colonies is in fact, and present indications certainly do not point to such an alarming and voluminous increase as to warrant the study of French in preference to Portuguese or any other language.

"Foreigner" is making a great mistake in merely looking at the *L. S. D.* aspect of the problem. He must surely know that mercenary considerations are not the only reasons actuating the study of a language.

For purely commercial purposes Spanish would be of much

more value as enormous possibilities are extant in the development of business between here and South America—a field of enterprise beyond comparison with France and French Colonies.

As already pointed out, Portuguese are not out to learn their language solely for mercantile purposes and it would be as well if "Foreigner" would refrain from further useless argument.

Thanking you for inserting this,

Yours etc.

AN OUTSIDER.
Hongkong, 20th July, 1923.

Sir,—As an impartial reader of the many letters which you have been publishing under this heading, I may be allowed to state that of all your correspondents, "Foreigner" has shown himself to be the most inconsistent and unconvincing. Ignoring from the very beginning the main point at issue, he has been doing his utmost, but without success, to hurt the local Portuguese. Therefore, I am glad to see from the last paragraph in his letter of yesterday that at last, at long last, he seems to have come to his senses! All he wants to know now is, "which is of greater use in a commercial career, French or Portuguese?" and he asks for a plain straightforward answer, as though he had at any time been straightforward. But is he so blind that he cannot see that the answer has already been given by some of your other correspondents, especially by "Victor Soriano" and "L"?

To my mind, if "Foreigner" is out to become notorious by writing letters to the Press, he is doing with, because his letters are, to say the least, senseless. If on the other hand, he really takes an academic interest in the matter, why does he evade accepting such a practical and honest challenge as put to him by "Victor Soriano"? And he does so on futile grounds and very childishly! That the scientific duel proposed by "Victor Soriano" is a practical and honest one, no right-thinking man can deny.

From his last letter I see that, having started the trouble himself, as you said in your leader-ette, "Foreigner" is now the victim and craves your indulgence to again be permitted to reply to the several correspondents who still continue to try and discredit him. Is he not ridiculous, Sir?

Yours, etc.

IMPARTIAL READER.
Hongkong, July 20th, 1923.

Sir,—May I again have the privilege of using your columns for a few lines? I regret to say that "Britisher's" letter of yesterday will provoke more argument and complications rather than bring the controversy to a satisfactory termination. I entirely disagree with his way of thinking, and I would like to hear his verdict on the following:—Would it be fair to him if at a Chinese dinner he asked for bread instead of rice, although rice was supposed to be more appropriate for the occasion and perhaps beneficial, and he was told to buy his own if he wanted it? Any arguments and trouble then caused would have been brought on by himself by trying to boss the whole show.

In regard to English "dialect," which so highly offends "Britisher," what about "patois"?

Yours etc.

ALSO A FOREIGNER.
Hongkong, July 20th, 1923.

Sir,—Answering "Foreigner's" question as to which is of greater use in a commercial career, French or Portuguese, I would say none of them in a British Colony, just as the English language is of no use and will not be a commercial language in a Portuguese or French colony. We have for example in Hongkong many Portuguese and French firms but none of them run their business in their own language but in the English language. So "Foreigner" can for himself appreciate his own question. Now, I ask "Foreigner," can you contradict me that the Portuguese and the French languages are not just the same regarding commercial languages?

I want to remind "Foreigner" that in Macao, at least, (where the English language is also useless) a fair chance is given a boy to learn, besides his own, the French, Chinese, Latin and English languages—and why not the same opportunity here? If in Macao a Portuguese boy can learn, besides his language, English, why cannot the Portuguese boy in Hongkong, learn in addition to the English language, his own?

"Foreigner" would not be able to speak or write English now if

he were not taught. "Foreigner" says: "I read the Portuguese Consul's advice," also he has replied to what Mr. J. C. Barreto said, also in Portuguese. So if this foreigner is not a Portuguese, at least he does understand the language. Then why is he so selfish as to deny others the same knowledge?

Yours etc.

L.E.F.

Hongkong, July 20th, 1923.

Sir,—My friend "Foreigner" invites a plain straight-forward answer to the query: "Which is of greater use in a commercial career, French or Portuguese?"

My answer is:—Portuguese, because the French are rapidly dying out and the Portuguese are far from race-extinction, judging from the virility of the latter in Europe, India, South Africa, South America and last but not least, in Macao and Hongkong.

Yours etc.

STATISTICS.

Hongkong, July 20th, 1923.
[As no useful purpose is likely to be served by a continuation of this controversy, we have decided to stop publication of further letters on the subject.—Ed. H.K.T.]

SNAKES ALIVE!

A Big Capture at Lai Chi Kok.

A member of the staff of Lai Chi Kok Prison sends us two snapshots of a big snake which was captured in that neighbourhood on July 13th, evidently an unfortunate date for the reptile, as it also happened to be a Friday!

The measurements of the snake are:—From head to tail, eight feet five and a half inches; circumference of thickest part of body fourteen inches.

Judging from these data, and from the photographs, which show the reptile to have had a prettily-patterned skin, we should say it was a reticulated python, probably only about half grown.

WAICHOW FIGHTING.

Severe Attack on City Fails

A report from Sheklung states that a large force of Sun's troops, under the Kwangsi commander, Lau Tsun-wan, made a fierce attack on the southern outskirts of Waichow city on the 16th instant, assisted by heavy guns, but were repulsed with heavy losses, being compelled to retreat pending the arrival of reinforcements. Owing to differences between the Yunnanese troops, none of these have been sent to this front, and Dr. Sun himself has delayed his departure thither.

General Yeung Hi-man, the chief Yunnan commander, has again demanded the promised reward of \$200,000 for the capture of Shui-kwan, only half of which has already been paid.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

The 50th anniversary of the first Hospital Sunday in London has just been observed, the inauguration being due to Sir Sydney Waterlow, Lord Mayor of London in 1873. In the first year of collection the total receipts were only £27,700, a mere pittance compared with the sum now realised, which has for some years exceeded £100,000. The principal feature of the Hospital Sunday on June 15, 1873, was a service at St. Paul's Cathedral, attended by the Prince and Princess of Wales. London was not first in holding this popular festival for the system was instituted in Glasgow so far back as 1844.

La Politique de Peking relates an interesting story, in connection with the recent fire which broke out at the Imperial Palace in Peking. The fire was first noticed by some guests who were dancing on the roof of the Hotel de Peking. They instantly rushed to the scene and by their zeal and initiative, helped the people attached to the Palace, organize themselves. A young man, standing near, who spoke English, was pressed into the work and who willingly received their instructions. Later, it was discovered that this young man was the emperor himself and he showed his gratitude for their services by offering them some refreshments in the morning, before their departure. He later sent more formal thanks to his visitors and gave each of them a vase *san de bouc* and a vase *bleu et blanc* from the Imperial collection, each piece carrying the Imperial seal.

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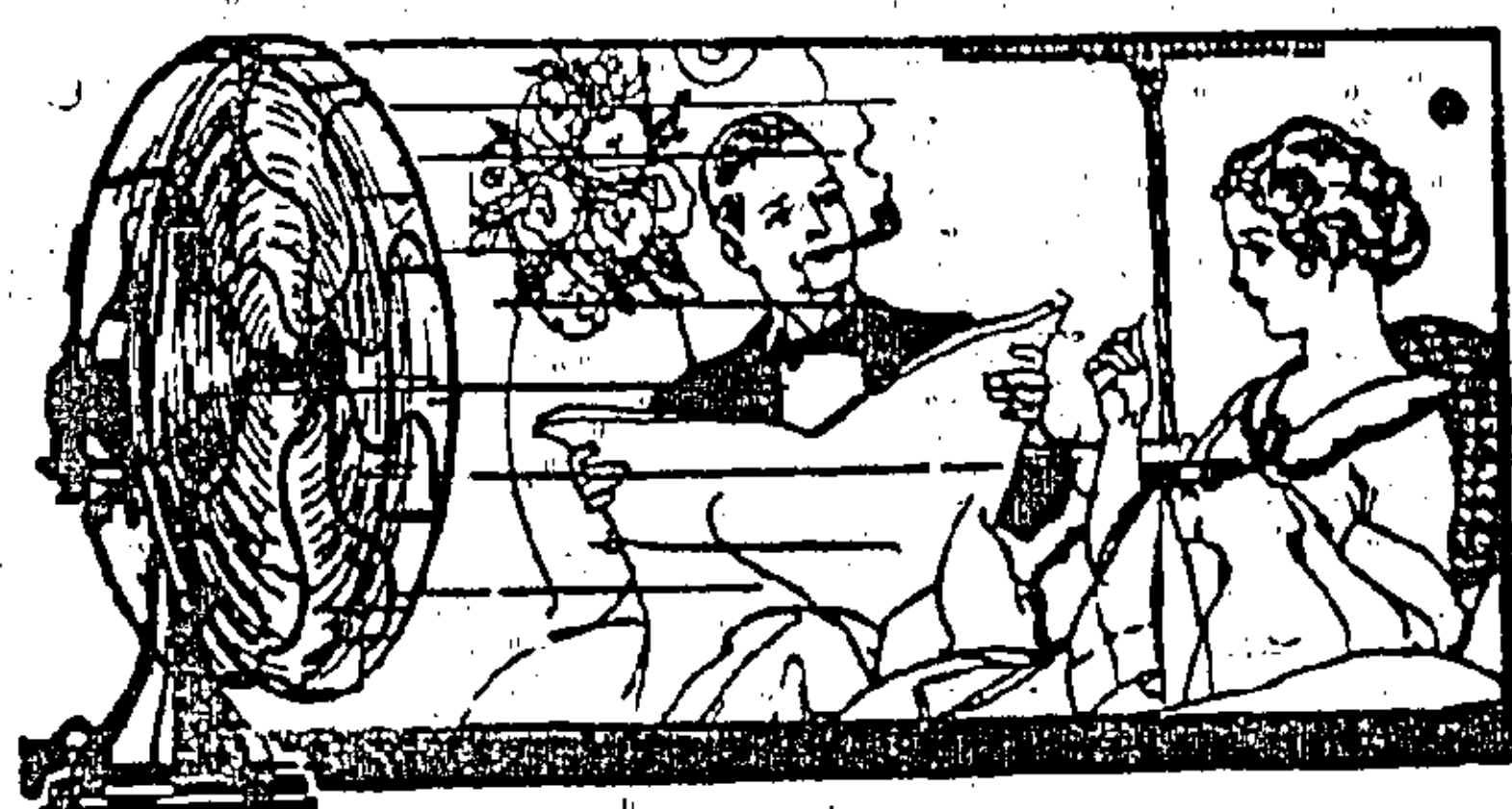
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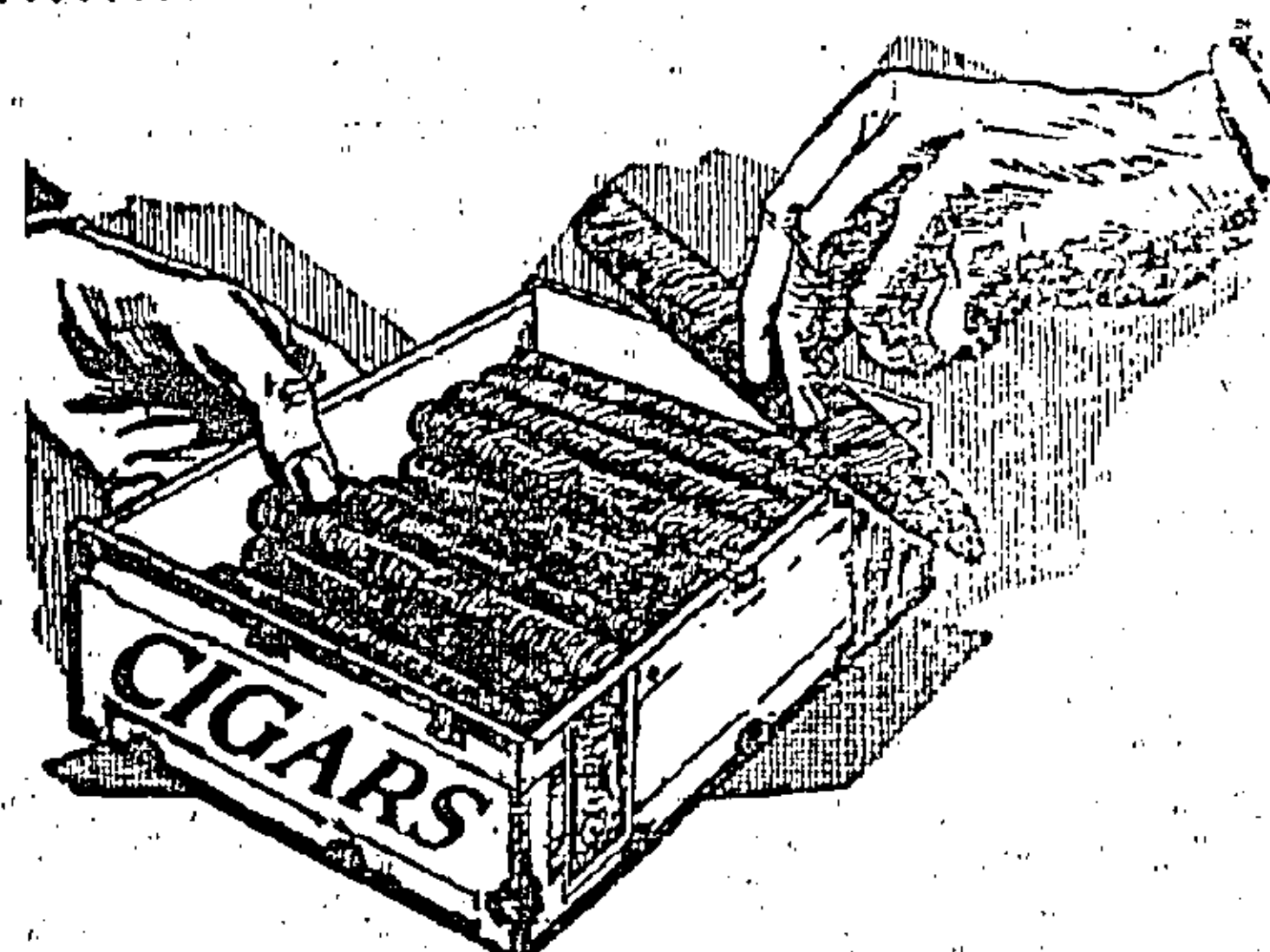
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THE ELDORADO IN THE CHUSANS.

Ship in Sorry Plight: 700 Refugees on Board.

Further information now reaches us about the str. Eldorado, whose arrival in these regions led to the recent disclosure of arms and ammunition running, says a Shanghai paper. She arrived off Ningpo about July 4, and has been anchored off the Chihai River under Kintang Island, one of the Chusan group, since that time. Though it is quite easy to see her from Square Island Lighthouse, only about a dozen of the 700 refugees aboard have been able to get ashore, because a Chinese police launch keeps watch alongside to prevent all communication with land. It is now explained why the press reports in the native journals said that she had arrived at Woon-sung for some days before she actually did for it is evident that they had thought her to be of the ordinary China Coast running speed. In point of fact her speed from Gansan to Shanghai was not more than three knots per hour. Her hull is covered with barnacles. It is also reported that her engines have been allowed to deteriorate until they are barely capable of being turned over, let alone going at a normal pressure. It is said that, although the ship is thought to have been

owned by Jardine's many years ago, she is now flying the American flag.

There are understood to have been 10 machine-guns and over 1,000 rifles aboard the Eldorado. In order to avoid difficulties the Chekiang authorities, who bought them, transhipped them at sea and landed them at some point in Hangchow Bay. The captain and engineer are thought to have left ship at this time, for they are no longer aboard with the other 700.

The Chinese Government, through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, has ordered an immediate investigation into the Eldorado case as well as the big deal which was consummated during December, while Admiral Stark and his 14 ships lay at anchor at Woon-sung.

SEAMEN ARRESTED AS CARD SMUGGLERS.
Three Filipino seamen, members of the crew of the steamer Warren of the Philippine-Chinese Steamship corporation, were arrested by the customs secret service agents recently charged with attempting to smuggle 2,190 sets of playing cards. The interval revenue taxes to be derived from it would have amounted to P.637 and customs duties to P.80.

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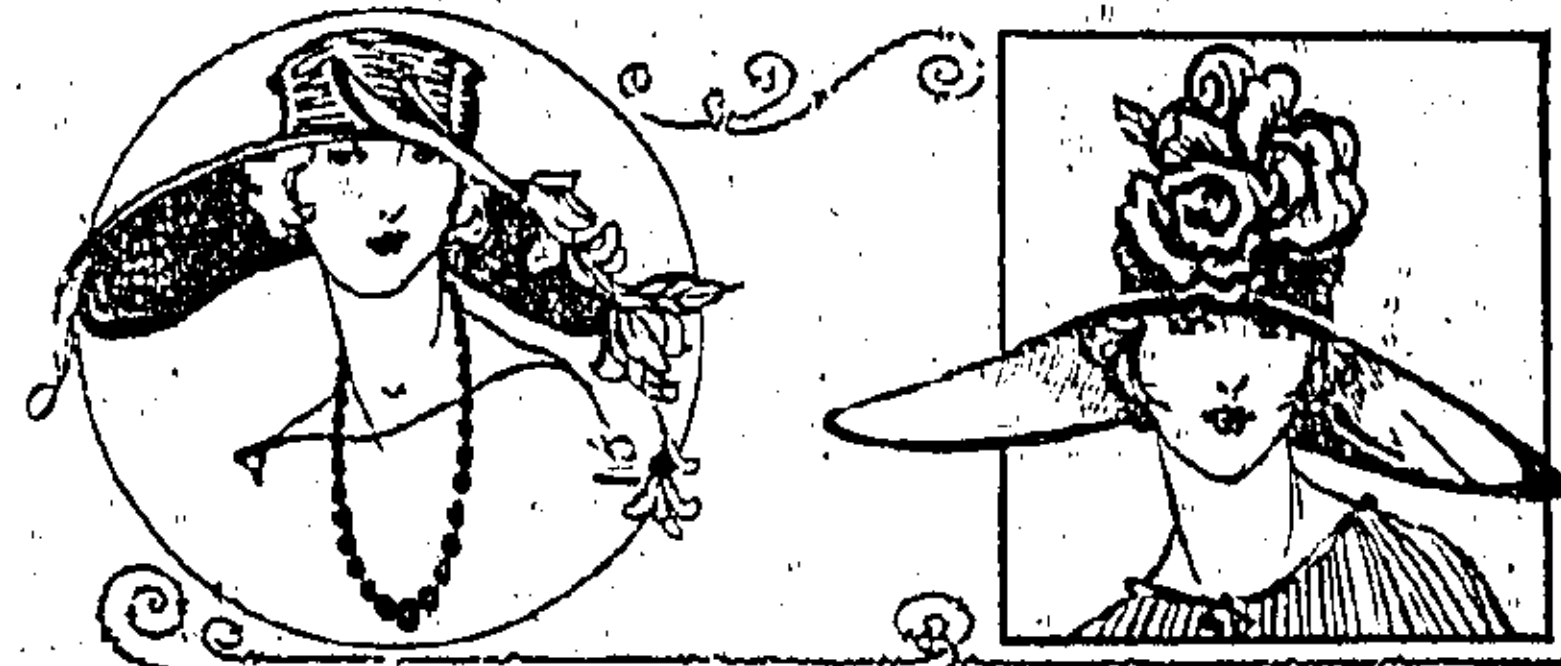
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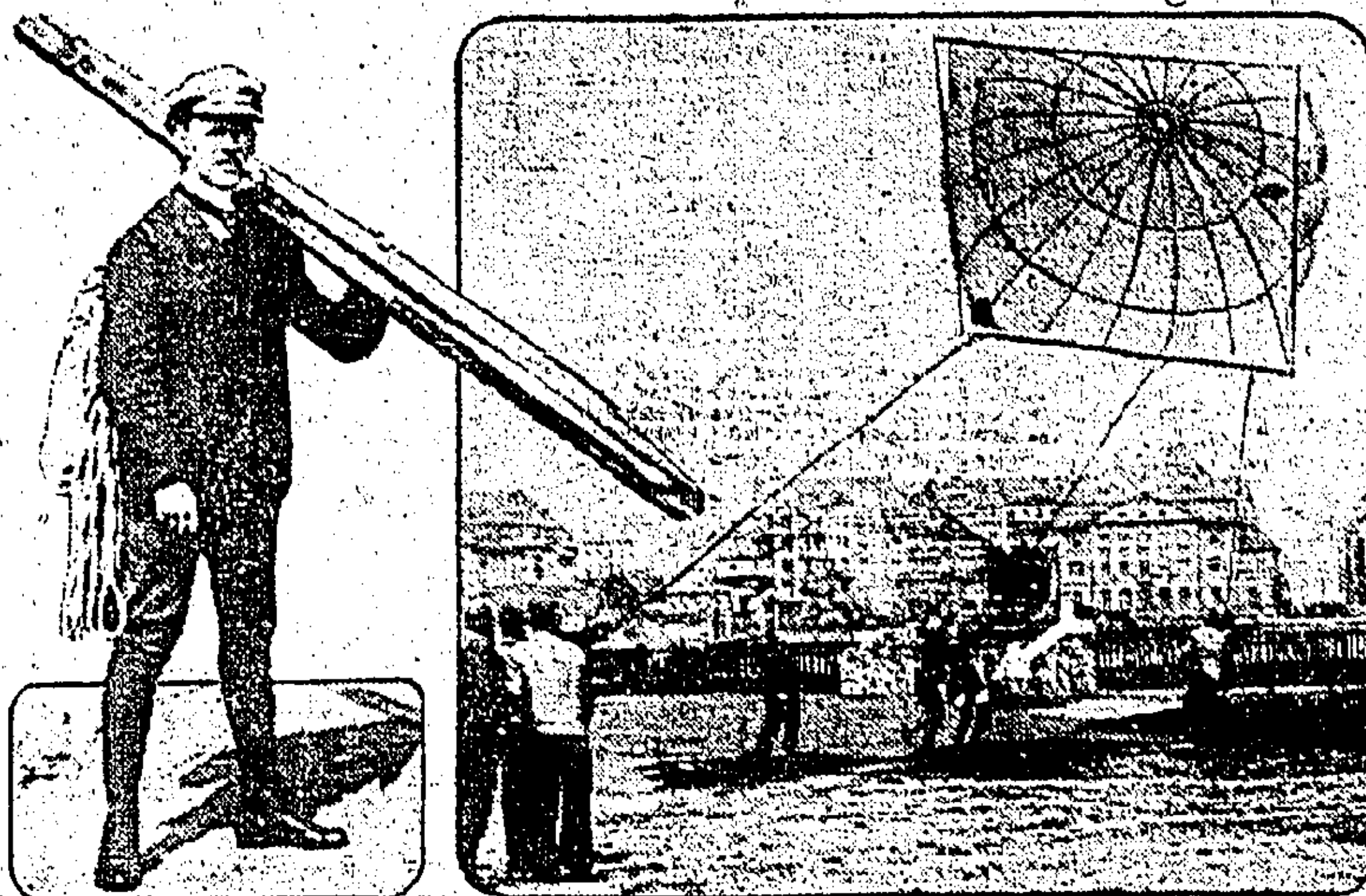
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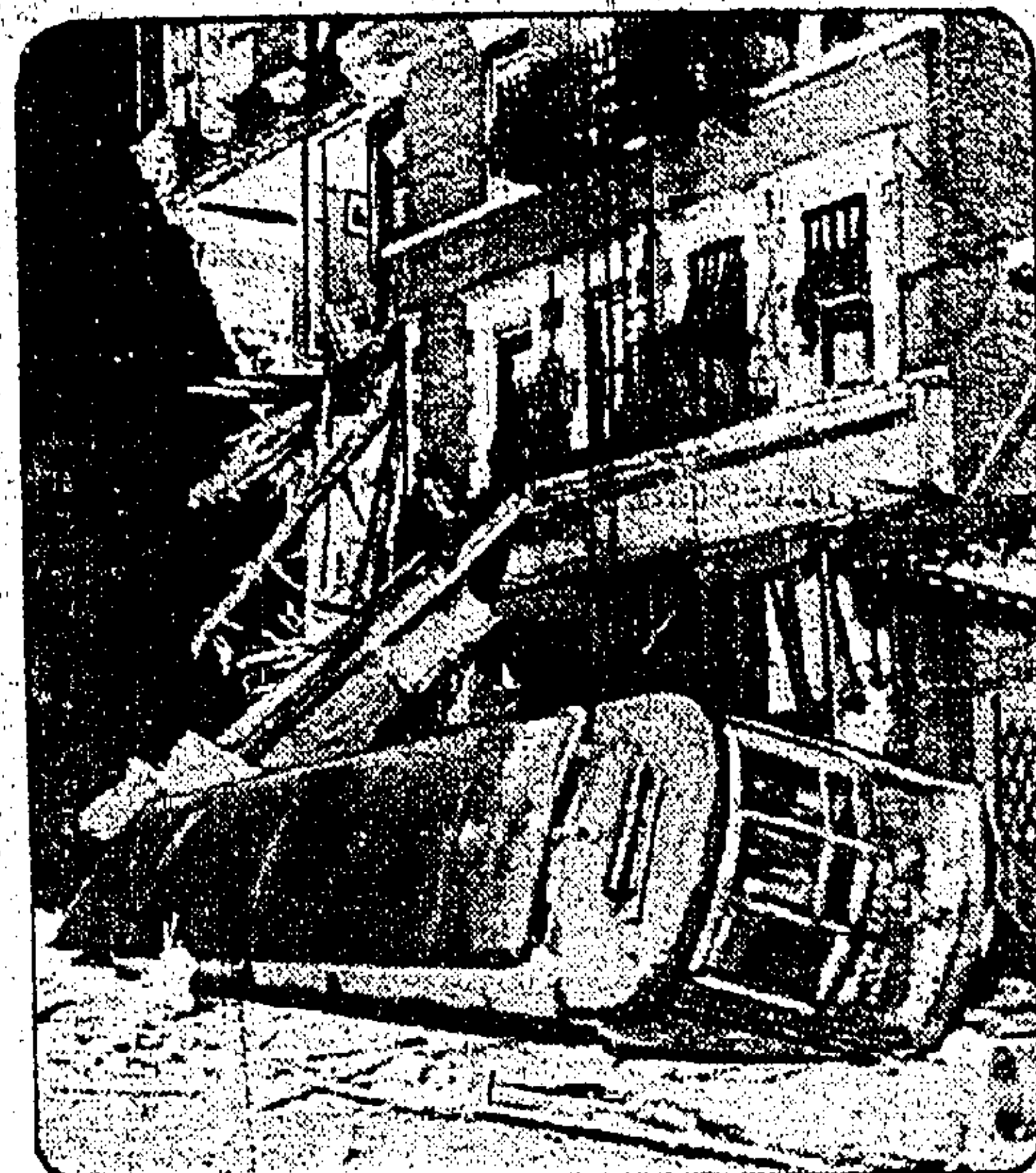
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NEWS.



A kite type of air carrier has developed from experiments with the glider. Dr. Ing. Seehaase, of Berlin, is shown carrying kite glider which he invented. It weighs only ten pounds. On the right, the parachute-like kite is shown in ascent with Dr. Seehaase trussed to a hanging rope like a human tail to the kite.



This trolley car ran backwards on Amsterdam Avenue, New York City, left the rails and crashed into a tenement building, killing a little girl and injuring several others. Three floors of the building walls were wrecked.



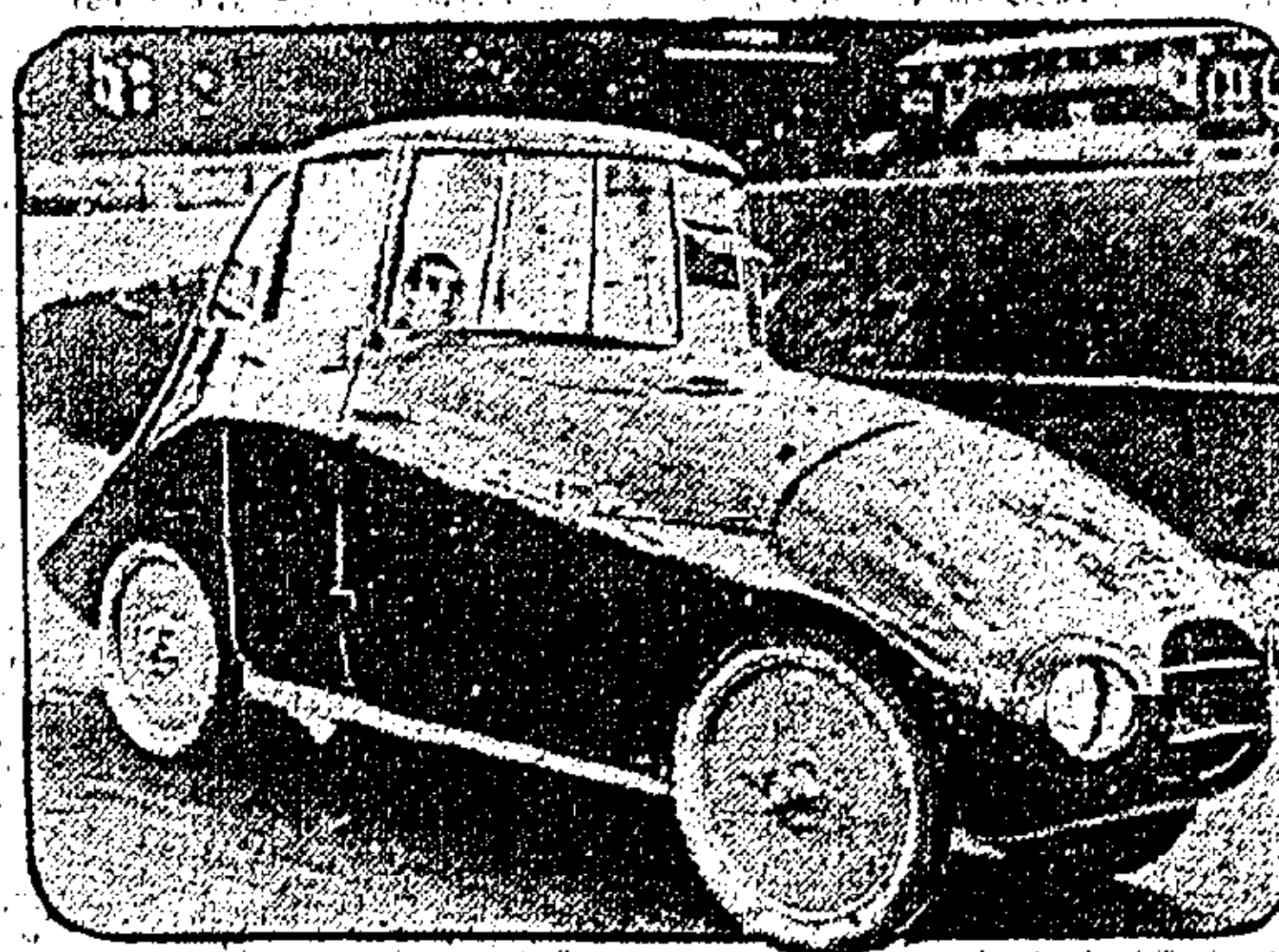
A new portrait of Anna Pavlova.



Mrs. Evelyn Marshall Field, wife of Marshall Field III, of Chicago, is reported to have just taken out a \$2,000,000 life insurance policy. Her husband, it is said, is the beneficiary.



Three cubs at the Central Park Zoo, New York. The young woman holding them is Miss Peggy Davis, former Follies star.



This is the latest freak in German motor cars. It carries the stream-line effect to the nth degree. Here it is shown being tested on a Berlin track.



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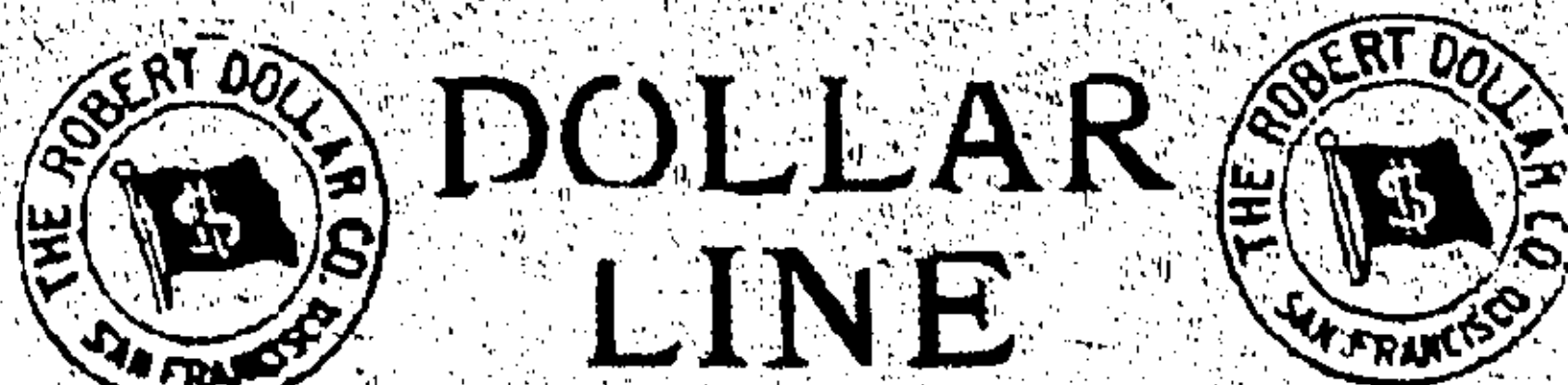
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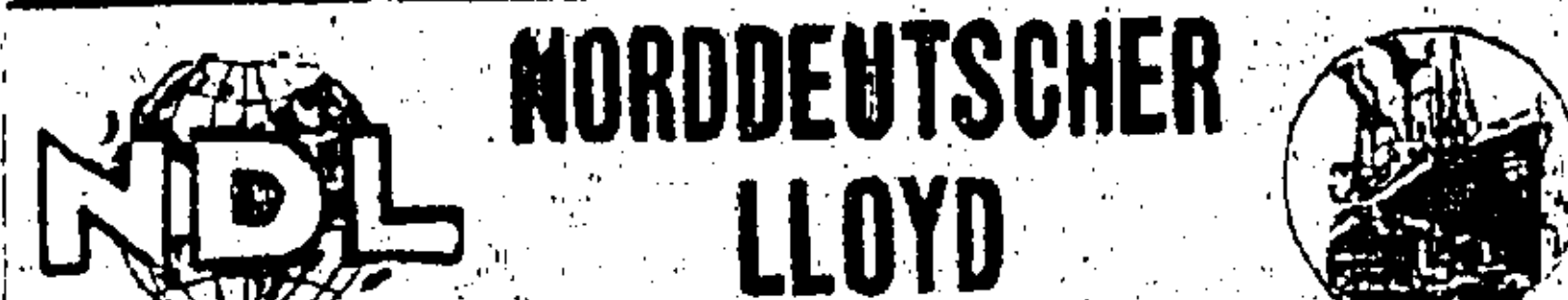
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LAOMEDON	20th Aug.	London, Rotterdam & Hamburg

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AGAMEMNON	1st Sept.	M'iles, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.

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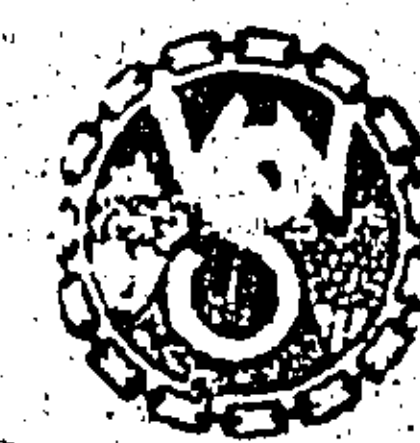
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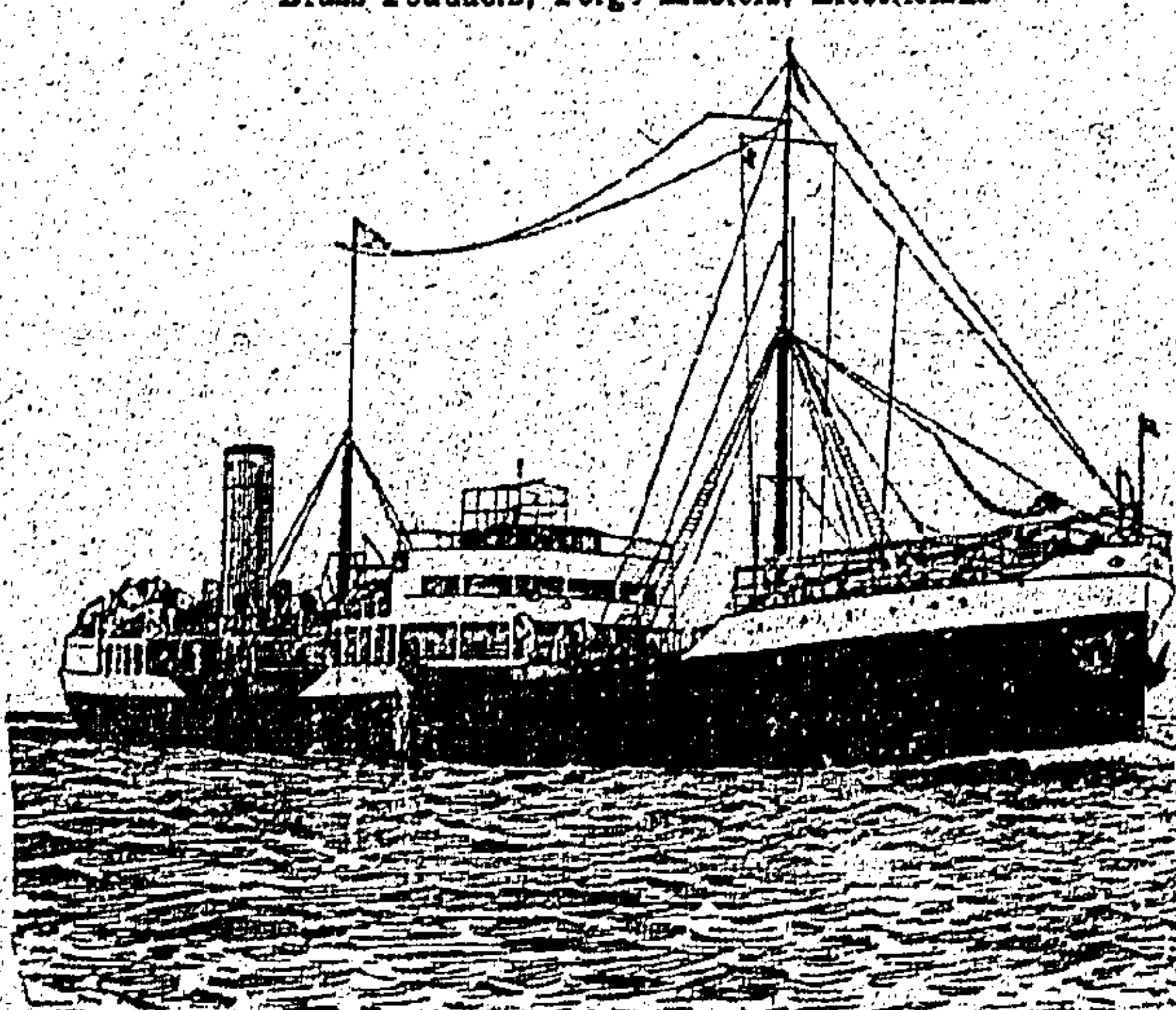
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SOUDAN	6,696	7th Aug.	Spore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
KHIVA	9,097	8th Aug.	B'bay, M'les, Gib, L., A'werp

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TORILLA	5,205	25th July	Spore, Penang & Calcutta
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DONGOLA	8,056	11th Aug.	Shanghai, Kobe & Y'hama

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PEMBROKESHIRE	27th Aug.	Glenora, L'don, R'dam, H'burg	24th Aug.
GLENUCE	10th Sept.	Glenora, L'don, R'dam, H'burg	7th Sept.

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CHAMBOUR	—	—	20th Aug.
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TANGO MARU ... Thursday, 16th Aug.

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BANGKOK via Swatow Chaksang	Tues.	24th July at 2 p.m.
TIENTSIN via Swatow Chaksang	Sun.	25th July at noon.
SHANGHAI via Swatow Tungshing	Thurs.	26th July at noon.
HAIPHONG via Swatow Tungshing	Fri.	27th July at 8 a.m.
T'AO via S'hai & S'hai Waihsing	Tues.	31st July at noon.
KOBE via Moji	Wed.	1st Aug. at noon.
KOBE via Moji	Sun.	5th Aug. at 7 a.m.
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A few minutes later the boy returned carrying the small parcel only and left the station.

One of the other men looked after him and nodded to the man who had followed him. This man now had possession of the large parcel.

His suspicions aroused, Stilberg said he followed the men to a neighbouring flat.

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LAWN TENNIS.

Indians' Win Against University.

Yesterday, on the Chinese Recreation Club's ground, the Indian Recreation Club secured a comfortable win over the University in the Tennis League by 65 games to 34. This was the first of the series of the triangular contests to decide the "B" Division Championship. The C.R.C. has been given a walk-over by Kowloon "B" and will play the Indians on Tuesday next. Yesterday's scores were:—

A. H. Rumjahn and S. A. Ismail beat B. J. An and Hung 10-1; beat S. A. M. Sepher and S. N. Chau 10-1; beat D. K. Samy and T. W. Wing 7-4.

A. L. Rumjahn and S. A. Hussain beat B. J. An and Hung 8-3; beat D. K. Samy and T. W. Wing 6-5; beat S. A. M. Sepher and S. N. Chau 5-6.

D. Rumjahn and O. Ismail beat B. J. An and Hung 6-5; beat D. K. Samy and T. W. Wing 6-5; beat S. A. M. Sepher and S. N. Chau 5-6.

A SCHOOL FOR AUTOISTS.

Eulogy for the Master Motor Builder.

Success brings with it inevitable and inescapable responsibilities. No one can separate himself from his career, and seldom from its environment and its influences. The builder of a great monument, the designer and sculptor of a masterpiece in marble, the painter of an appealing landscape or portrait, stands forever identified with his handiwork. He is its sponsor, its guardian, standing continuously in loco parentis, with a responsibility he cannot escape. Take, for instance, the case of Mr. Henry Ford, who is the builder of several million motor cars bearing his name which encumber the streets and highways in the United States and in many other countries. His ingenuity and resourcefulness have brought pleasure to the possessors of his cars. Of this there is no doubt. Perhaps no captain of industry anywhere has done more for the people than Mr. Ford.

But the fact remains that he has, no doubt unconsciously and unintentionally, failed to take account of his responsibilities in the premises. He has grown tremendously rich through his industry and resourcefulness. He is now accounted the richest person in the world, his profits being estimated variously from a million dollars to several million dollars a week. And yet he, like the patriarch of a great tribe or the parent of a large family who sends his subjects or his progeny out into the world, carrying with them all their native crudities, casts his standardized product broadcast, apparently with little thought of the consequences, either to the things themselves or to their possessors.

There is need that millions of those who drive Mr. Ford's cars, as well as millions who drive those produced by other manufacturers, learn the etiquette of the highway. Their enjoyment would be increased and the safety of the general public would be measurably insured by a strict observance of the rules of the road. Would it not be a patriotic and a generous act on the part of Mr. Ford either by himself or in co-operation with others engaged in the same industry, to devote one week's profits, or a part of one week's profits, to the endowment of a correspondence school prepared and equipped to teach these simple rules? It would not be a difficult undertaking to teach the users of the cheaper automobiles that their own happiness and comfort would be greatly augmented and the safety and convenience of all users of the highways increased by the observance of common courtesy and thoughtfulness.

There is no thought that an aristocracy of the road should be established and preserved. Yet one too frequently sees an unkempt and unseemly car, mud-begrimed, with flapping curtains, which mars the whole picture and detracts from the enjoyment of its users. The sputtering, stuttering, liver struggling up a long incline with the evident determination to pass all sedate toilers along the way, "cutting-in" at every opportunity, and endangering all travellers on pleasure bent, is out of place and a menace. Mr. Ford should be persuaded to discipline and instruct the millions he has turned loose upon the highways.—*Christian Science Monitor.*

WEATHER REPORT.

July 19d. 17h. 35m.—Warning to Hongkong, Coast Ports, &c.—Depression or typhoon of unknown intensity within 120 miles of Lat. 14° N. Long. 117° E., moving W.N.W.

July 20d. 12h. 00m.—Warning to Hongkong, Coast Ports, &c.—Depression or typhoon of unknown intensity within 120 miles of Lat. 15° N. Long. 114° E., moving W.N.W.

July 20d. 12h. 00m.—Local signal No. 1 hoisted.

July 20d. 12h. 07m.—Pressure has increased moderately at Vladivostok and slightly from Shanghai to the Philippines and Yap. It has decreased slightly over N. Indo-China and is nearly stationary in other districts.

A shallow depression is shown over N.E. Japan.

The depression in the China Sea has probably developed into a typhoon. At 6 a.m. this morning it was a little to the south of the Macleodfield moving W.N.W. or N.W.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.02 inch. Total since January 1st, 30.50 inches, against an average of 46.60 inches

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District.	Forecast.
1 Formosa Channel	Light variable winds, freshening from N.E.
2 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamook.	F. winds, strong.
3 Hongkong to Gap Rock	possibly increasing to a gale.
4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan.	cloudy, rain later.

T. F. CLAYTON, Director.
H.K. Observatory, July 20, 1923.

EXCHANGE.

(Opening Rate: closing Rate on Page 1.)

SELLING.		
T/T	2/22	30 d/s. San Francisco and New York
Demand	2/22 1/2	4 m/s. Marx
30 d/s.	2/22 1/2	4 m/s. France
4 m/s.	2/22 1/2	6 m/s.
T/T Shanghai	Nom.	Demand, Germany
T/T Singapore	105	Demand, New York
T/T India	166 1/2	T/T Bombay
Demand India	166 1/2	Demand, Bombay
T/T. San Francisco and New York	8 1/2	T/T Calcutta
T/T Java	122	Demand, Calcutta
T/T. Marks	Nom.	On Yokohama
T/T. France	8.65	Demand, Manila
Demand, Paris	8.65	Demand, Singapore
		Demand, Batavia
		On Haiphong
		On Saigon
		On Bangkok
		Sovereign
		Gold leaf per Tael
		Bar Silver ready
		forward
		Bank of England rates
		New York/London

SUBSIDIARY COINS.

Hongkong 50 cent pieces @	1/25 par.
10 "	2 1/2 par.
Canton sub. coins	157 1/2 dis.

Hongkong July 20, 1923.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Radio telegrams can now again be accepted for transmission to French Indo-China.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Saigon	Commandant Doris	20th July.
Japan	Kidderpore	20th
Europe via Suez (Letters only) London	Bealawars	20th
21st June		
Europe via Suez (Papers only) London		
21st June & Letters via Brindisi		
19th June		
U.S.A. Japan & Shanghai	Yangtze	21st
U.S.A. Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Tait	22nd
Shanghai	Pres. McKinley	23rd
Shanghai	Soochow	23rd
Straits	Fu yang	23rd
	Soudan	23rd

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Batavia, Samarang & Soerabaya	Perrin M.	Sat. 21 inst. 11 a.m.
Straits, Australia, & New Zealand	Van Overstraten	Fri. 21 inst.
via Singapore	Registration 10.45 a.m.	
	Letters 11.30 a.m.	
	to connect with s.s. Montara leaving Singapore 25th July and due at Port Darwin 7th Aug. and at Thursday Is 10th August.	
Amoy	Kiungchow	Sat. 21 inst. noon.
Straits & Bombay	Kidderpore	Sat. 21 inst. 2 p.m.
Port Bayard	Al Pit Tai	Sat. 21 inst. 3 p.m.
Shanghai	Luchow	Sat. 21 inst. 4 p.m.
Straits	Late Fielding	Sat. 21 inst. 4 p.m.
Java via Sourabaya	Robert Dollar	Sat. 21 inst. 4 p.m.
Port Bayard, Hoibow, Pakto & Haiphong	Hanoi	Sat. 21 inst. 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Fochow	Kaiji M.	Sun. 22 inst. 8 a.m.
Saigon	Hanyang	Mon. 23 inst. 11 a.m.
Shanghai	Bakuyo M.	Mon. 23 inst. 11 a.m.
Shanghai Canada U.S.A. O. & South America & Europe via Victoria B.C.	Tydrareus	Mon. 23 inst.
	Registration 1.15 p.m.	
	Letters 2 p.m.	
Straits, Egypt & Europe via London	Helenus	Mon. 23 inst. 2 p.m.
	(Due London about 27th Aug.)	
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhankhod, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseille	Perthos	Mon. 23 inst.
	Registration 1.45 p.m.	
	Letters 2.30 p.m.	
Swatow	Hydrangea	Mon. 23 inst. 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan & Victoria	Kaga M.	Tues. 24 inst. 9.30 a.m.
	(Due Victoria 21st Aug.)	
Swatow, Amoy & Fochow	Haifong	Tues. 24 inst. noon.
Shanghai	Tjimonok	Tues. 24 inst. 3 p.m.
Manila	Pres. McKinley	Tues. 24 inst. 4 p.m.
Shanghai	Soudan	Tues. 24 inst. 5 p.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhankhod, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseille	Devanba	Wed. 25 inst.
	Registration 9.15 a.m.	
	Letters 10.30 a.m.	
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhankhod, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseille	Sato M.	Fri. 27 inst. 10.3 a.m.
Bombay & Amoy	Haiching	Fri. 27 inst. noon.
Swatow, Amoy & Fochow	Parcels 27th 5 p.m.	
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A. O. & S. America & Europe via Vancouver B.C.	Empress of Canada	Sat. 28 inst.
	Registration 9.15 a.m.	
	Letters 10 a.m.	
Shanghai & Japan	Fuchimi M.	Tues. 31 inst. 11 a.m.
	(Due Vancouver 13th Aug.)	

Board of Conservancy Works of Kwanglung.

Waterlevels in English Feet 8 a.m.

Place of Observation	Highest W.L. ever recorded	Highest W.L. recorded	1923	
			July 18	July 19
Wuchow West River	+ 79.50	-2.42	—	—
Kongmoon	+ 14.70	-0.80	5.4	6.0
Linkonghow North	+ 57.03	-0	—	—
Samui	+ 27.25	-5.00	8.2	8.3
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DR. COOK INDICTED.

Cleveland, July 10.—Twenty-six Texas oil promoters, including Dr. Frederick A. Cook, former Arctic explorer, have been indicted charged with using United States mails to defraud, and for a conspiracy to make fraudulent use of the mails.

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